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Facing a challenge

Madison police chief sees progress in city

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Being chief of police of Madison has been a challenge for 44-year-old Steve Skoklo, who oversees the administrative functions of the city's police department.

When he was appointed chief in July 1995 by Mayor John Bellicoff, the police department needed more patrolmen and more action needed to be taken in fighting city crime, Skoklo said.

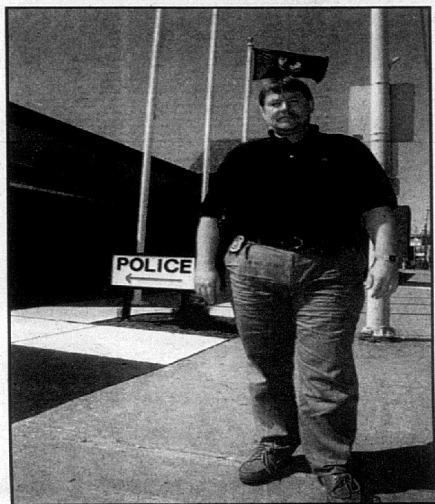
Since his appointment, Skoklo said he has seen a drop in the city's crime rate and he now has more patrolmen to help enforce the law — achievements that were part of his goal when he became chief.

"Our manpower is finally coming up to where we have enough patrolmen," he said. "We have 10 officers in the patrol division right now, including lieutenants and sergeants and a detective."

The number of robberies and thefts in the community have dropped, Skoklo said, adding, "That's all attributed to the hard work of the officers on the street."

Despite his reluctance to attribute the reduction in crime to himself, Skoklo still has

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Madison Police Chief Steve Skoklo in front of the Madison Police Station.

Tragic mixture

Alcohol, speed combine to cause rise in fatalities

A fatal mixture of alcohol, careless driving and speed all made for a tragic first quarter of 1997 on the roads of Madison County.

The number of traffic fatalities declined 22 percent across the state this year compared to the same three months in 1996. But Madison County experienced a jump from nine deaths in 1996 to 13 in 1997.

Such numbers can fluctuate without apparent reason, but County Coroner Dallas Burke said she sees common themes when reviewing fatalities.

"We have been trying to get the word out, especially to young people and especially during prom season. I think road construction contributes to problems, but we've had a lot of cases where people were just driving too fast

"We have been trying to get the word out, especially to young people and especially during prom season."

— Dallas Burke
Coroner

and misjudged a turn." Burke said her deputy coroners provide programs at high schools about drunken driving and traffic fatalities. They also cooperate with the county's

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Cab driver shot in shoulder

A Checker Cab driver was shot in the back of his shoulder Saturday in Venice after picking up two men on Jefferson Street, Venice Police Chief James

Newsome said. The cab driver, whom Newsome refused to identify, was taken to St. Elizabeth's Hospital for treatment and transferred to St. Louis University Hos-

pital in St. Louis. "The shooting occurred around 11:30 p.m.," Newsome said. "There were no witnesses."

The cab driver shot him as part of a robbery attempt, Newsome said. No one has been arrested, Newsome said.

Old Six Mile plans open house May 25

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Illinois' history is rich with cultural treasures, and those interested in preserving or learning more about that past can find a warehouse full of history right in Granite City.

The Old Six Mile Historical Society will hold its spring open house from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, May 25. The public is welcome to attend.

The open house, to be held at the Old Six Mile Museum, 3279 Maryville Road, will feature educational programs including the Kahokian Dancers, a non-native group that will perform an interpretive performance of Native American dance in the yard outside the museum.

Inside, visitors can browse through a display of Indian exhibits including local historical photographs, maps, text, art and artifacts.

"Our state of Illinois, especially the American Bottom, is rich in art created by prehistoric peoples over a period of thousands of years," said Georgia Engelke, museum curator. "Few places in the United States can match this region's"

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2 honored for achievements

Stehman's life centers on Collinsville

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Lucille Stehman of Collinsville and Sandra Hudson of Edwardsville are two of the 10 1997 Women of Achievement.

These dedicated women who have enhanced the quality of life for those in the St. Louis area join 411 other Women of Achievement who have been honored since the program began in 1955.

Joining Stehman, historic preservation, and Hudson, education, are Mary Carol Archie, community health care; Ruth A. Bryant, civic preservation; Judy Smith Champ, cultural enrichment; Jane Freund Harris, creative philanthropy; Linda Jean Schroeder, community betterment; Glenn Johnson Sheffield, community service; Terri Shores, humanitarian concerns; and Nancy A. Verderber, social responsibility.

From the time she was 3 until she married, Lucille Stehman lived in a home in the 600 block of West Main. She was

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Lucille Stehman, left, and Sandra Hudson, local honorees.

Hudson wanted to step to plate

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

When Sandra Hudson joined the Edwardsville School Board in 1991, she joined it with an immense respect for then president Rudy Wilson.

"I remember thinking 'How can anyone do this for 18 years?'" Hudson recalled. "But now that I'm looking at eight (years), I can understand."

Hudson, elected to a second term in 1995, has almost six of those eight years in. And they've been an interesting six years.

During that time, the district has adopted the middle school plan, and took two stabs before successfully passing a \$31.9 million referendum to build a new high school as part of that plan. The building, which will open this fall, is almost finished.

When she got involved with the school board, Hudson was originally motivated by her own two daughters who were then in the system.

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NEWS

Bowles featured at NAACP event

Freedom Fund Banquet Saturday

ALTON — A large crowd is expected to hear Illinois Sen. Evelyn Bowles, D-Edwardsville, at the annual NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet.

"Ticket sales are going really well. I'm quite sure it will be a sellout. We have only a few tickets left," said James Gray, president of the Alton Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The banquet at 6 p.m. Saturday is the major fund-raiser for the branch, Gray said. "It is a great fund-raiser for our organization. It carries us through the rest of the year," he said.

Bowles, former Madison County clerk and teacher from Highland, will speak on the theme "NAACP, and Still We Rise."

The branch will also honor people for their contributions to the community. The awards are:

Education Award to Patricia McGee King, dean of students at Alton High School.

Education Award to Samuel White, minority student affairs director at Lewis and Clark Community College.

Community Service Award to Kristian Gray, volunteer participating in interior repairs to the Alton Branch office.

Community Service Award to Dale Neudecker, coordinator of The Bucket Brigade, Joey Moyer Can Co. and numerous other community projects.

Community Service Award to John Hopkins, attorney and major contributor to the branch.

Community Service Award to Associate Judge Ellar Duff and Associate Judge David Herndon for judicial service and fairness to the citizens of Madison County.

Community Service Award to Dick Meyers, manager of Great Central Lumber Co., contributor to the project to complete refurbishing the branch office.

Community Service Award to Amoco Oil Corp., sponsor of seven scholarships. Tickets for the event at \$35 each, including the cost of a one-year regular membership, are still available and can be obtained by calling 465-1621, 462-3532 or 466-5207.

Local programs supported through the proceeds of the affair include the scholarship program, intended to provide higher educational opportunity. A portion of the proceeds are also shared with the national parent organization.

— From The Telegraph



(Staff photos by JOHN FRESE)

Treat — The students on the sixth-grade safety patrol at Mitchell School were treated to a trip to Busch Stadium to see the Cardinals play last Thursday thanks to a donation made by Roberts & Dybdahl, Inc. lumber in Mitchell. Pictured, from left in front row, are: Amanda Miller, Lesley Doty, Kelly Jackson, Missy Douglas, Matt Gergen, Bryan Smith and Jonathan Brooks; middle row, Courtney Pare, Vanessa Imboden, Katie Ivie, Robert Nemeth, Josh Jackson, Justin Madison and Wesley Copper; and back row, sponsoring teacher Mary Ann Stuart, Danielle DiVietro, Molly McDowell, Cara Paoli, Andy Flood, Vanessa Hartwick, Stephanie Puch and Mark Corso of Roberts & Dybdahl. Roberts & Dybdahl also provided the students with baseball caps for their trip. At right, Andy Flood receives the check funding the trip from Mark Corso.



Revival set at General Baptist

General Baptist Church, 2033 Johnson Road, Granite City, will be holding a revival at 7 p.m. nightly Monday, May 19, thru Friday, May 23, with the Rev. Randy Vollmar as the guest evangelist.

There will be special singing. The Rev. Gene Lineberry is pastor of General Baptist.

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NEWS

Career festival

Event gives 400 students opportunity to explore options

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Students from Madison Middle School and Madison High School recently received a special treat — a career festival.

The two-hour event gave 400 students an opportunity to hear public officials and job specialists speak about their careers, which allowed the students to examine their own career options.

"The main purpose of this is to expose the students to different jobs and put in their minds now that they can be what they want to be," said Gladys Steptoe, counselor for the Middle School. "Most (students) are excited. They come out saying 'I want to become that,' or 'I want to do that!'"

Steptoe, who originated the career festival six years ago, said 24 career speakers were available to the students.

One of the speakers was Kim Clark, a staff assistant to Congressman Jerry Costello. She told several students during the two-hour schedule about her duties and answered questions.

"Two of the things I do," Clark said, "are drive the congressman around and take phone calls. I must now return phone calls within 45 minutes to an hour."

In addition, Clark said, her most important task was answering letters from Costello's constituents.

"It's very strenuous, because he's very demanding," Clark said.

She also described the White House, the grounds surrounding it, and Washington, D.C. Among other professionals available to the students were Madison Fire Chief Mike Foley; officers from the state and county police; Willie Washington, a pro-stock drag racer; a speaker from Officer Funeral Home; Staff Sgt. Tim Arnold of Scott Air Force Base; Mary Ann Pruitt of the Department of Employment Security; Elmer Wortham of Magna Bank in Madison; Mike Foley of the Madison Fire Department; and many others.

"I think it takes them into a world where they've never been before," Steptoe said. "And I think that they get to see people as people — like with the police and the FBI. They see them as people, not as authority."

Steptoe said she created the career festival when she saw the needs of the students.

"They were not achieving academically," she said. "They needed to be motivated, to see beyond the circumstances they're in now and change it."

As a result of the career festival, positive changes have occurred, Steptoe said.



Dragster race driver Larry Rodgers revs up the engine on his 230-inch Supercomp Dragster while Madison Middle School students watching his demonstration at Career Day cover their ears.

(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

"I've seen self esteem, feeling good about themselves and their academics improving," she said. "Students have gone on and done well."

Amber Silas, 13, a seventh-grader at Madison School, praised the festival.

"It gives me an idea about what I want to be when I grow up, and I learn about a lot of different jobs," Silas said. "I'm still trying to decide, though."

Cary Smith, 13, another seventh grade student, said the festival enlightened him on the aspects of all

the different careers available.

"It gives me an idea of what I can do," Smith said, "but I already know what I want to do. I'm going to go to college and major in computer science and minor in computer engineering."



Fourth grader William Ford waits as firefighters Brad Arnold, left, and Andrew Sipes, right, hook up one of the Madison Fire Department's respirators.



Sixth grader Jamiel Johnson is pleased as he tries on a firefighter's helmet.

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Museum

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There is a drawing that shows there were two figures of the Piasa Bird painted high up on the rocky bluff overlooking the Mississippi River.

"Try to decide how the painters reached this difficult place on the bluff to paint this picture," Engelke said.

Other displays and illustrations depict how prehistoric people lived, worked, played and traveled, she said.

The Center for Archaeological Investigations at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale is encouraging educational organizations like the Old Six Mile Historical Society to share an appreciation for the state's rich cultural past, Engelke said.

The theme of the program is "The Prehistoric Art Tradition of Illinois."

"The remains of our past are constantly being lost," Engelke said. "This awareness program will help us preserve what we know about the past."

The Old Six Mile Museum is registered as a National Historic Site.

Those wishing to attend the May 25 event should bring lawn chairs and may park at Worthen School or Bethel Evangelical Free Church.

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OBITUARIES

Johnson, Ralph

William
RALPH WILLIAM JOHNSON, 73, of Poplar Bluff, formerly of Granite City, died Sunday, May 11, 1997, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. He was born Oct. 29, 1923, in Poplar Bluff, Ark.

Mr. Johnson retired from A.O. Smith Corporation in Granite City as a supervisor. He was a 3rd Degree Mason from the AINAD Temple of East St. Louis and a member of American Legion Post 153 in Poplar Bluff, Mo.

A World War II U.S. Army veteran, he was a sergeant and awarded three Bronze Stars.

Survivors include his wife, Helen (Black) Johnson, whom he married Dec. 21, 1946; two daughters, Jane Heaton of Poplar Bluff, Mo., and Judy Jordan of Granite City; one brother, Earl Johnson of Quin, Mo.; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one son, Michael Ralph Johnson.

Visitation will begin at 7 p.m. today, Wednesday, at White-Sanders Funeral Home, Quin, Mo. (873-3322).

Services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Thursday, May 15, at the funeral home with the Rev. Johnnie L. Bazzell officiating. Burial will be in Quin Cemetery.

McAmish, William A.

WILLIAM A. McAMISH, 81, of Granite City died at 6:24 p.m. Monday, May 12, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center following a two-week illness. He was born Jan. 16, 1916, in Webb City, Mo.

Mr. McAmish retired from Granite City Steel in 1981 after 31 plus years as a transportation and service locomotive engineer. He was a World War II U.S. Army veteran and member of St. John's United Church of Christ, American Legion Post 113, Masons, Odd Fellows, 12 O'Clock Club and The Modern Woodmen.

Survivors include his wife, Noma (Grimes) McAmish, whom he married Aug. 10, 1935; one son, Bill McAmish; one daughter, Janet Harbison; two sisters, Sylvia Rodde of Bourbonnais and Marie Scott of Lafayette, Ind.; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William A. McAmish I and Jennie (Norman) McAmish; two brothers, Charles L. and Leonard E. McAmish; and one sister, Gladys D. McAmish.

Memorials are suggested to St. John's United Church of Christ in Granite City.

Arrangements are pending at Mercer Mortuary, 1416 Niedringhaus, 876-4321.

Bernier, Sheree D.

SHEREE D. "TUTTIE" LUNA-BERNIER, 40, of Belleville died Monday, May 12, 1997, at her residence.

Mrs. Bernier had taught third grade at St. Mary's School in Belleville the past 10 years; formerly taught and volunteered at St. Joe's School in San Antonio, Texas; and Our Lady Guadalupe School in Mission, Texas; was sincerely into the Who's Who of American Teachers in 1996; served as chairperson of the Arts and Environment Committee of St. Mary's Church; and was a member of St. Mary's Liturgy Committee and St. Mary's Church Choir.

Survivors include her husband, Douglas J. Bernier; her father, David Luna of Milwaukee; her mother, Loretta (Gruz) Quintero of Fairmont City; five sisters, Terry Buehler of Kokomo, Ind., Diane Luna-Williams of Granite City, Lana Mushinski of Collinsville, Regina Chianian of Lebanon and Karen Larsen of Milwaukee; and four brothers, David, Doug and Donny Luna, all of Milwaukee; and Manny Quintero of Fairmont City.

Visitation will be from 2 - 9 p.m.

Fatalities

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DUI Task Force

Some large counties experienced sharp declines in traffic fatalities this year compared to 1996. St. Clair County went from eight to two, and McHenry County fell from 14 to 4.

Rick Meyers, chief of the accident information section of the Illinois Department of Transportation, said there is no evidence that Madison County's accidents are being fueled by road construction.

"Drivers who do not obey laws and do not obey reduced speed limits in a construction area can certainly face increased risk of accidents," he said.

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today, Wednesday, at Keesly Mortuary, 9900 St. Clair, Fairview Heights. The funeral procession is scheduled to leave Keesly Mortuary at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, May 15, for a 1 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial at St. Mary Church in Belleville with the Rev. Father James Blazine officiating. Burial will be in Green Mount Catholic Cemetery, Belleville.

Memorials are suggested to Family Hospice of Belleville Area or the Stella Wagner Endowment Fund of St. Mary Church.

Weiss, Ida Mae

IDA MAE (SCHELLHARDT) WEISS, 84, of Granite City died at 3:35 p.m. Saturday, May 10, 1997, at St. John's Mercy Hospital in St. Louis. She was born April 7, 1913, in Walmer.

Mrs. Weiss retired in 1989 from Granite City School District 9 after 21 years as an elementary teacher at Maryville School. She obtained her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville and was a member of St. John United Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Charles R. Weiss, whom she married June 21, 1933; two sons, Brad R. Weiss of Springfield, Mo., and Brent W. Weiss of Edwardsville; one brother, Albert "Mannie" Schellhardt Jr.; one sister, Doris Ludwig; and four grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert and Dorothy (Laub) Schellhardt; and one brother, Maurice Schellhardt.

Services were Tuesday, May 13, at St. John's United Church of Christ with the Rev. Allen Reiter officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

Memorials are suggested to St. John United Church of Christ, 2801 Nameoki Road, Granite City, or the American Cancer Society.

Arrangements were handled by Irwin Chapel, 3880 Maryville Road, Granite City.

Enos, Victor "Mickey"

VICTOR "MICKEY" ENOS, 72, of Pontoon Beach died Sunday, May 11, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville following a one-year illness. Born Sept. 7, 1924, in Sesser, he had been a resident of the Granite City area for 47 years.

Mr. Enos retired from Granite City Steel in 1989 after 30 years as a tractor operator. He was a U.S. Navy veteran and of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include one daughter, Betty Dickey of Granite City; two grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Beanie Enos, who died in 1987; his second wife, Mary Enos, who died in 1990; his parents, Robert and Julian Enos; his sister, one brother, Jesse Enos; and one sister, Midge Enos.

Services are scheduled for 11 a.m. today, Wednesday, May 14, at Werner Chapel for Funerals, 3939 Lake Drive, Pontoon Beach, with the Rev. Alan Redfern officiating. Burial will be in Sunset Hill Memorial Estates, Glen Carbon.

Brabec, Elizabeth

MARGARET "LIZ" BRABEC, 80, of Mount Olive died at 9:30 a.m. Friday, May 9, 1997, at St. Francis Hospital in Vandalia. She was born Nov. 12, 1916, in Granite City.

Mrs. Brabec was formerly employed as a clerk at Franzens Grocery in Granite City. She was a Wal-Mart; was a former Mt. Olive City treasurer; active in the PTA;

charter member of the Band Parents; and a member of Staunton Senior Citizens and American Legion Auxiliary.

She was married to Albert Brabec Jan. 16, 1942, in Modesto, Calif. He preceded her in death Feb. 17, 1973. She was also preceded in death by her parents, George and Frances M. (Kristian) Bodi; one sister, Irene Cherry; and two brothers, George Jr. and Elmer Bodi.

Survivors include two sons, Albert G. Brabec Jr. of Rockaway Beach, Mo., and Frank C. Brabec of Mt. Olive; two daughters, Dorothy A. Brabec of Springfield and Frances C. Heintline of Macomb; three brothers, Joseph Bodi of Granite City, Roy Bodi of Bend and Robert Bodi of Quincy; and one grandson.

Services were held Monday, May 12, at Becker & Son Funeral Home, 221 South Poplar, Mt. Olive, with the Rev. Larry Anschutz officiating. Burial was in Mt. Olive City Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Mt. Olive Band Parents, Senior Citizens, or Ambulance.

Snyder, Benjamin D. Jr.

BENJAMIN D. SNYDER, 63, of Collinsville died Saturday, May 10, 1997, at Collinsville Care Center.

Mr. Snyder was a former cab driver for Metro-East Taxi Co. (formerly Yellow Cab) and a doc worker at A & P Grocer in East St. Louis. He was a member of Teamsters Local 50.

Survivors include his second wife, Donna (Hankins) Snyder of Collinsville; one son, Benjamin D. Snyder Jr. of Granite City; two daughters, Cheryl Goodson of Collinsville and Alice Edwards of Norris City; five brothers, Raymond, Joseph, Ronald, Edgar and Robert Snyder; three sisters, Delores Biggs, Katherine Hawthorne and Mary Scott.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Irene (Dallas) Snyder; his parents, Charles and Alice Snyder; and three brothers, Charles, Mick and Eugene Snyder.

Services were held Sunday, May 12, at Keesly Mortuary Chapel, 9900 St. Clair, Fairview Heights. Burial was in Lake View Memorial Gardens.

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Skoklo, who still enrolls in courses regarding administration and law enforcement, said he's been an officer for 13 years.

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building and grounds management and so forth.

Instead of having each municipality with separate school districts and separate administrative staffs, there could be one school district for the whole county and all of that money that is used for duplicating administrative services could be used for instructional and curriculum purposes benefiting the students, which after all, is the purpose of education.

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25 chosen as Hardee's Hometown Heroes

John Danforth will be guest speaker at presentation ceremony at Fontbonne College

Former U.S. Sen. John Danforth will make special presentations to 25 local heroes at a June 5 ceremony in their honor at Fontbonne College, 5600 Wydown Blvd.

Foster parents, teachers, and firefighters are among the 25 people being hailed as Hardee's Hometown Heroes.

Nominated by family and friends, the heroes represent citizenship at its best. The Hometown Heroes program is sponsored by Hardee's Restaurants, the Suburban Journals and KPLR-TV (Channel 11).

The ceremony, which is open to the public, will be at noon in the Fine Arts Theatre at the college.

The heroes are:

JEFF GRILLION
Chesterfield
One Friday, Jeff found several pieces of expensive jewelry in one of his classrooms. Rather than consider it someone else's loss he turned the pieces in to his teacher. The jewelry was claimed by one of his classmates on Monday. As it turned out, not only did the pieces have great monetary value, they carried greater sentimental value. One piece was from a trip to Israel and another was a gift from a deceased grandmother.

AGRICULTURAL ACHIEVEMENT
Rick Spencer
Gillespie, Ill.
Spencer, a vocational agriculture teacher at Gillespie High, has many accomplishments. He has instituted regular recycling for his students, planted several trees in the community and built a greenhouse for the high school. Spencer is a model citizen, a positive role model for area youth.

PERSONAL BRAVERY
Tanya Earls
St. Louis
When Tanya Earls was born, she had a hole in her heart. Doctors said she would never be able to participate in any physically strenuous activities. Despite the doctor's orders, Earls' mother let her play soccer and volleyball. Earls excelled at soccer and received numerous scholarship offers. At age 20, she found out she had cervical cancer. She attacked this challenge with the same vigor that she always had. Currently, Earls volunteers for United Cerebral Palsy, helps patients with HIV and teaches pre-school at a day-care center. Earls undertakes all of these tasks while going to college and maintaining a 3.9 grade point average. In spite of all she's been through, she feels there are many people with problems worse than hers — that's why she gives of herself.

PERSONAL BRAVERY
Ashley Marie King (Age 4)
Parents: Robert and Heather King
Potosi, Mo.
Ashley saved her younger brother from a house fire on Jan. 11, 1997.

ANIMAL WELFARE
Margaret Pittmann
Collinsville, Ill.
Pittmann, a volunteer at the Madison County Humane Society, takes her love for animals quite seriously. She is responsible for placing and collecting donation boxes throughout Collinsville. She also regularly makes the rounds to gather recyclables for the shelter. As an avid hingo player, Pittmann never hesitates to spend part of her winnings on her "babies." Her co-workers say she's an animal's best friend.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION
Luther Coyle
St. Louis
Through the positive environment of organized sports, Coyle has shown African-American girls an alternative to a life of drug use. He uses his St. Louis Cardinals basketball team to instill the girls with a sense of pride and self-worth. And the lessons the girls learn in discipline, teamwork and cultural enlightenment teach them to respect others. It is a testament to his coaching style that many of his players go on to greater heights. His former players have played in the NCAA Women's Final Four and professional ranks.

SENIOR CITIZEN ASSISTANCE
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Friday, May 16
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Monday, May 19
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Tuesday, May 20
Chicken pataty, potato triangles, summer squash, bun, strawberry ice cream.

English as 2nd language slated

Belleville Area College's Adult Basic Education Department is offering free English as a Second Language classes this summer in Belleville and Granite City.

In Belleville, morning classes will meet from 9-11:30 a.m., and evening classes will meet from 6:30-9:20 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, from June 8 through July 22, at the Belleville Campus.

In Granite City, classes will meet from 9-11:30 a.m. and 6:30-9:20 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, from June 4 through July 23, at the Granite City Campus.

English as a Second Language classes are for foreign-born adults who wish to learn or improve their English language speaking, reading and writing skills.

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SENIOR CITIZEN ASSISTANCE
Daisy Mae Blue-Ragland
St. Louis, Mo.
Blue-Ragland started caring for the elderly at an early age. As a child, she spent time with an 80-year-old neighbor who was a shut-in. She would play cards, comb the neighbor's hair or just be there to lend an ear. She carried this passion into her adult life. As a member of Bethesda Temple Church's Nursing Home Outreach, she taught the elderly the words of God and sang the songs of Zion. Blue-Ragland considered it a blessing to see them "praising God in their wheelchairs. As a deeply religious woman, helping the elderly is a only one aspect of Blue-Ragland's volunteerism.

HELPING CHILDREN
Carol A. Smith
St. Louis
As a mother of two, Smith's work could qualify her as an honoree, but it is what she did outside of the home that is especially admirable. While employed at Barnes Hospital, Smith became involved in the Toys for Tots campaign to benefit children in Haiti. This sparked her involvement with children. Smith went on to volunteer in programs that helped abused and neglected children. The next "domino" of progression was her becoming licensed as a behavioral foster parent. This was a long process that only strengthened her convictions. Now she serves as a recruiter for the "One Church, One Child" program that encourages members of area congregations to adopt or serve as foster parents.

HELPING CHILDREN
Freida Johnston
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During her seven-year tenure as secretary-treasurer of the Washington Park Emergency Organization, Johnston has imple-

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HELPING CHILDREN
Velma and Edward Aubertin
St. Louis
The Aubertins have been foster parents to 62 children. Most of the babies came straight from the hospital and are only a few days old. Midnight feedings and other infant responsibilities are old hat for the Aubertins. As a transitional home, the Aubertins only keep until the children get their permanent parents. The Aubertins are septuagenarians, and taking care of infants is no small task.

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"I was looking at things I felt I could do better," Hudson said. "I was determined not to be one of those people who sit back and complain without stepping up to the plate and trying to make things better."

And the way to make things better is through education—that's what Hudson and her siblings learned from their mother. Hudson frightened her parents by marrying mid-way through her education at Vassar College. Husband James is an ophthalmologist. They have two daughters: Nicole and Kira.

"My mother always said that education is your key to success," Hudson said. "You have to have an education to improve your lot."

Today, Hudson is the chief executive officer of the Madison County Urban League. She knows about government systems and about funding.

Where education is concerned, great changes are needed, she said.

"One of my long-term goals is to have some involvement in the way Illinois funds education," Hudson said.

She got her wish. Hudson served on an Illinois Association of School Boards committee that presented a funding plan to the legislature in the past few months.

"It's all about building momentum," Hudson said. "One person can make a significant difference and as they get others involved, it's cumulative."

An auditorium is one of the offerings of the new high school, something Hudson fought hard for. She helped establish the Drama Boosters, a group that now hold benefits performances and auctions.

Both of Hudson's children were involved in theater, a program she wants to see continued for all Edwardsville students with that interest.

"It's still just as important to me," Hudson said. "I want to make sure those same opportunities are available to all young people that were to mine."

Hudson had some experience with new construction from having a home built, but nothing could have prepared her for the high school project, she said.

"The scale is magnified so much, even if you know a little about what it takes to build something," Hudson said. "And then you have the awesome responsibility of making sure this is done right. It is too important to the long-term viability of the district."

Hudson is also concerned about the state of elementary education. Part of that was generated by serving on the Education to Careers committee at Lewis and Clark Community College.

"We've had a lot of discussion about careers and where jobs will be and whether or not a four-year degree is essential to the bulk of those careers," Hudson said. "What needs to change is

to prepare younger children so they're ready at the senior high level to focus on a vocation."

But while the district and public education in general have many challenges ahead, Hudson said a united front can meet them.

"Public education is the founding block to the whole structure of the democratic system," she said. "If we allow education to crumble, then the foundation in total is weakened. If we bail out, we really leave a mess. But if we band together as individuals, we strengthen the system and give it something to work from."

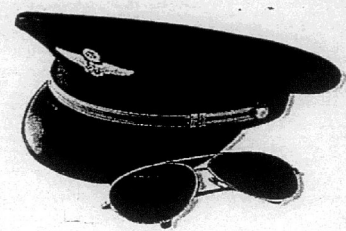
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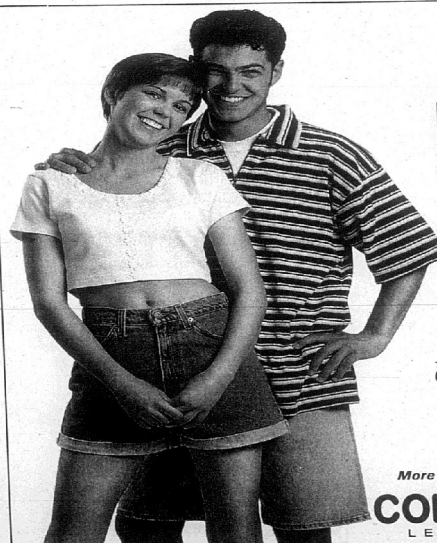
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Stehman

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one of four children that James and Hattie McLanahan raised in that house. James McLanahan owned a Ford dealership just a few blocks away.

Stehman has shared some of that history with readers of the *Collinsville Herald* in her bi-weekly "Main Street" column. In the column, Stehman tells both anecdotes and facts about the people and structures that are established figures in city history.

"You hear real cute stories and you feel like you want to tell them," Stehman said. "I'm encouraged to keep writing them because people keep telling them to me."

And Stehman can tell you a few stories all her own. Like when she was 18 and went on three dates with William Holden before he achieved movie star status.

Holden, then William Bedie, was the cousin of one of Stehman's friends. Her friend asked Stehman to help keep Holden occupied during a summer visit.

"He was thin and not nearly as handsome as he would become," Stehman recalled. "He quotes Shakespeare a lot and I didn't really care for that (too much) then."

Stehman said she told Holden she was "kind of interested" in another young man and said their dates weren't serious.

"I won't say whether I kissed him or not," Stehman said.

Growing up in post-Depres-

sion Collinsville presented a common problem for its teens. "Nobody had any money to go anywhere," Stehman recalled. "We would always go out riding and sometimes get a hamburger."

It seems only fitting that someone who has put so much into the city's history should write about it. Stehman wrote a History of Collinsville five years ago.

Stehman became a fixture at the Collinsville Memorial Public Library when she began cataloging items for the fledgling Collinsville Historical Museum. It was a project of the Daughters of the American Revolution (Stehman's genealogy includes a revolutionary veteran, Capt. John Clay, on her father's side.)

After suggesting the same project to members of another

group, the Friends of the Museum were born. Stehman was the group's president for 11 years.

About the same time, Stehman was working with another new group — the Cahokia Mounds Museum Society. In the days before the Interpretive Center, Stehman volunteered in the gift shop and pushed for the sale of items that were interesting to visitors.

"I took a box of things we sold to the state and they gave them a loan," Stehman said. "We paid off the loan two years before it was due."

And while the site grew, so did its support. What had once been a core group of five to seven members in the Museum Society now had more than 400 active members.

Stehman later spearheaded a

library fund drive that helped raised more than \$125,000 toward the addition of the Florence Burkholder Community Room.

And when she got involved with the Miner's Institute Foundation to help raise money for the restoration of the historical theater, Stehman put her talents to work again. She wrote 90 columns about mining in Collinsville and its role in the city around World War I.

At the end of each article, Stehman added the names of miners from that time. Stehman got the names from poring over city directories.

Stehman invested a lot of time and effort into her writing — something she couldn't have done without her family's understanding. Stehman said she wished her husband, Milt, who died last year, could share

the honor with her.

An elementary teacher, Milt Stehman had graduated from college with honors in history and shared the love of the subject with his wife.

"He encouraged me a lot," she said. "It takes a lot to do something like this and if the person you're married to isn't for what you're doing, you don't do it."

Stehman's children, however, will share her honors with her today.

"They have all been so supportive and I love them very much."

As she approaches 79, Stehman said she hopes to wrap up her Main Street column soon.

"It's a chore to do this much history but I feel like I need to finish it," Stehman said. "I've always loved this city and it's kind of a way for me to show it."

American Lung Association seeks smokers

The American Lung Association of Illinois is compiling a list of smokers and ex-smokers who are looking to join a class action suit against the tobacco companies.

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Citizens

Belleville Area summer at three foreign-born adults. Students will sit ment to prepare for Granite City. Class will be of days, from May 4950 Maryville Road. Programs and S. Class will be of days, from June Church, Belleville. For more info, extension 363, or 363.

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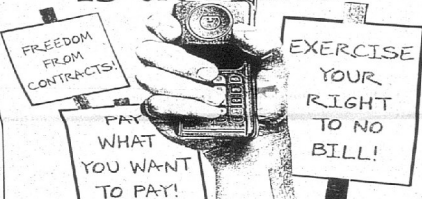
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Citizenship classes offered

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Granite City: Class will be offered from 9-11:50 a.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, from May 12 to June 2, at BAC's Granite City Campus, 4950 Maryville Road.

Programs and Services for Older Persons: Class will be offered from 9-11:50 a.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, from June 3-19, at the PSOP Multi-Purpose Center, 201 N. Church, Belleville.

For more information, contact Mary Mueller at 235-2700, extension 363, or toll-free in Illinois at 1-800-BAC-5131, extension 363.

Heroes

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ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

Louis Tieman Shioh, III, Tieman is the founder of "Proud Partners," a citizens' group that helps keep Belleville clean. Since its founding, this group has placed trash bins with the "Proud Partners" logo throughout the city. This month, Tieman will also lead Project Bag It, an effort of 1,600 volunteers in picking up trash along the highways. Tieman stresses how important it is to a city's image to provide a clean atmosphere.

EDUCATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Brenda Young St. Charles As a teacher for City of St. Louis schools, Young creates an environment that motivates and encourages students. In addition, she brings a rich complex of personal and professional qualities to her job. She takes the skills from her school teaching and brings it to another teaching environment. She uses her experiences in coping with her cancer to help other women. She has even appeared on TV for this cause.

EDUCATIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Belinda Dalton St. Charles All Belinda Dalton's brother Eddie wanted to do was finish his education. It was a chance he would never get. Eddie died of brain cancer in 1986. That inspired Dalton to write a book of poetry that would eventually be published. Dalton donates all her royalties from this book to a scholarship fund for needy children. To date she has donated \$108,000 to the fund. Dalton is also the director of student services at Harris-Stowe State College.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Bob McBride Belleville, Ill. McBride is a member of the St. Clair American Red Cross Disaster Action Team. During a recent 10-day period, he responded to 17 fires. During this time he provided assistance to both victims and fire fighters. McBride is also

trained in radio communications. He provides these skills for Emergency Services & Disaster Agency, Skywarn weather spotters and Military Affiliate Radio Service. He is an invaluable volunteer to the people of Madison County.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Rev. Leonard Hull St. Louis Rev. Hull was elected as a city councilman despite having no experience. During his tenure, he was the impetus behind bills to install parking and stop signs to make streets safer. As the airport Chaplain, he took time to console people about the terrible tragedy of flight 800.

HEALTHCARE

Helen & Richard Chatfield St. Louis Both Chatfields were diagnosed with cancer. Fortunately for both of them, the cancer went into remission. Rather than just be happy at their good fortune, the Chatfields decided to help others. Together they started the New Hope Cancer Center. New Hope serves as a support group for cancer patients. The building at 3301 Ashby Road was renovated by Mr. Chatfield. Mrs. Chatfield went back to school to study counseling so she could better assist New Hope's Clients.

HEALTHCARE

Don Young St. Charles In 1992, Young was diagnosed with throat cancer. After six surgeries he had his larynx removed and was able to speak with the aid of an electric larynx. He now volunteers to be on call to phone or visit cancer patients and help ease their fears and anxieties concerning their diagnoses. He also speaks to high school students about the dangers of smoking. He does all this at his own personal expense. Young knows if he can save one life, his time and money have been well spent.

HANDICAPPED SUPPORT

Diane Eakins St. Louis Eakins helps disabled persons who are homeless or in abusive situations. It is her indomitable drive and her ability to find immediate solutions to critical problems that have averted several potential tragedies.

HANDICAPPED SUPPORT

Robert McMullen University City, Mo. McMullen and his wife adopted their son, Ron, when he was 3. Doctors said the child would never talk. Now he attends University City High School. Through his experiences, McMullen has realized he has to educate others about Ron's abilities. He openly encourages parents of children with disabilities to let their children be fully participating members in their communities. One of his strong suits is teaching parents to advocate for their children. McBride knows the law and he knows the education system. He wants other parents to have the same advantage.

PATRIOTISM

Richard Mercurio Springfield, Ill. Mercurio is a combat veteran of the Korean war. He is now an officer of the Illinois Korean War Memorial. Mercurio undertook an arduous seven-year task to make sure the soldiers who died in Korea were not forgotten. This task included T-shirts and soliciting donations to raise the \$1 million to construct the memorial. He also wrote "The History of the Korean War" for the memorial's booklet. At 68 years old, Mercurio is a retired police officer.

PATRIOTISM

Margaret Harlan Jonesburg, Mo. As president of the American Legion Auxiliary, Harlan dedicates much of her time to helping past auxiliary mem-

bers and Veterans of Foreign Wars. She also assists many of the senior citizens in Jonesburg.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rev. Leon Hardin, Sr. St. Louis Rev. Hardin began assisting the homeless in the 1970s. He helped to feed them as well as provide them with jobs. He also coordinated young adult and youth programs. Hardin was successful in getting other local leaders to join him.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Alvin Parks, Jr. East St. Louis As president of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity, he promoted a scholarship program for graduates of metro-east schools. He was eventually named to a national fraternity office. He has been a keynote speaker at the Inroads programs sponsored by Procter and Gamble, and he is an active member of the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis. His friends say, "His thoughts, words and deeds personify community service."

COMMUNITY SERVICE

JoAnn Pisel Millstadt, Ill. Pisel was instrumental in the development of a local women's crisis center, a youth residential service, and a sexual assault counseling program. All this in addition to being a foster parent to 15 youth. She is so highly regarded in her community she was selected to carry the flame during the Olympic torch relay.

Mayors attend volunteer event

Nine mayors representing communities throughout the region attended the third annual Volunteer Showcase, held at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville. President and Chief Executive Officer John L. Lengerman presented each of the mayors with an American Flag. Thirty-one agencies were represented at the fair, which included the presentation of six \$500 scholarships to students throughout the Belleville Diocese, underwritten by Catholic Fraternal Life.

The winners included Marcia Brune of Millstadt, Kenny Bristow of Carrier Mills, Jason Holzm of Cahokia, Christine Wiegman of Carlyle, Kathleen Habiger of Carbondale and Erin Gotto of Fults.

Highlights of the Showcase included the presentation of the CFL Fraternals of the Year Award to Steve Jackson of Freeburg and the council Honors Awards, both given in recognition of outstanding volunteer service to the society, the community and the parish. CFL has meant quality financial products and fraternal programs with a positive influence on families, businesses and communities.

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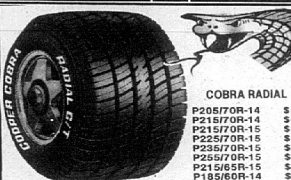
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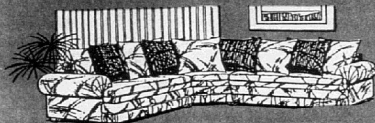
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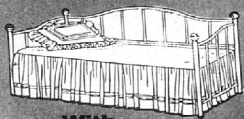
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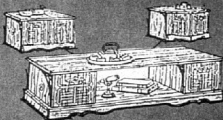
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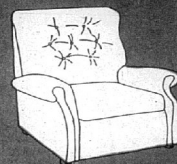
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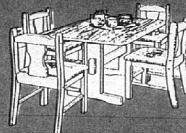
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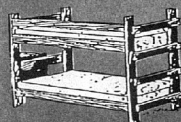
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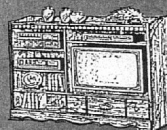


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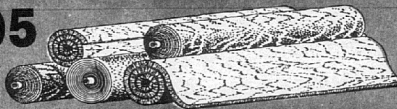
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In honor of the Gateway International Speedway, I have to get behind the wheel of the Miller 1.8 cars on Monday. I see if I can top professional drivers' coaches. I can't accept the challenge anyway.

The five-eight cars, modeled after racing's earliest five body styles Coupe, 1937 Chevrolet Flathead, a 1940 Ford Coupe, the driver's seat, then and tear a track like I read I'm doing. Which is already behind the news about the start career.

Having ridden before on interstates and city streets, always thought it was a thrill actually drive a race track. It's too much for him.

I was surprised liked the idea. To be honest, I would object. At least, be worried the news in the week when I get my insurance.

He wanted to go on. "What do you wanted to know?" "I'm just curious," he said. "Several million of insurance people."

That was not. Since I broke her, I've caught night watching shopping channels. I've been asking for color mini-vans if, by chance, get one.

Then there to me every day leave for the which I had words of encouragement of a loving wife.

But now, I. "Don't be the race car me every day for speed, you drivers take wheels. Those the track. So always want like you did. Warming the Gamble and chances. I, never have like this."

When I finished her, I would be co-Rahal, Bryn, Dixon, Ken, Rusty Wall, news would fears.

"Have you getting your coach?" "Shady."

"Who?"

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Pat Heston

Reporter's mind racing about the big event

In honor of the opening of Gateway International Speedway, I have been invited to get behind the wheel of one of the Miller Lite Legends race cars on Monday, May 19, and see if I can top the times of professional drivers and coaches. I can't, but I accepted the challenge anyway.

The five-eighths scale Legends cars, modeled after the great modifieds driven by some of racing's earliest stars, come in five body styles: 1937 Ford Coupe, 1937 Chevrolet Sedan, 1937 Chevrolet Flatback Sedan and a 1940 Ford Coupe. I'll jump in the driver's seat of one of them and tear around the track like I really know what I'm doing. Which I don't.

But I figure I'll be fun. The hardest part of the event is already behind me. I had to break the news to my wife about the start of my racing career.

Having ridden with me before on interstate highways and city streets, she knew I always thought I was driving like a maniac. But for me to actually drive on a bona fide race track might, I thought, be too much for her to handle.

I was surprised that my wife liked the idea. To be honest, I thought she would object. Or at the very least, be worried. But, she took the news in stride. As a result, I never gave it much more thought until this week when I got a call from my insurance agent.

He wanted to know what was going on. "What do you mean?" I wanted to know. "I'm just curious why your wife has recently taken out several million dollars worth of insurance policies on your life," he said.

That was news to me. That also explained a lot. Since I broke the news to her, I've caught her up late at night watching the home shopping channel. And she's been asking my daughter what color mini-van she would like if, by chance, we happened to get one.

Then there's her comments to me every morning as I leave for the office. Comments which I had always taken as words of encouragement from a loving wife.

But now, I wonder. "Don't be afraid of driving the race car fast," she says to me every day. "They're built for speed, you know. I've seen drivers take corners on two wheels. Those cars really hug the track. So drive like you always wanted to, dear. Drive like you did on your vacation to Wyoming three years ago. Gamble and take lots of chances. I, I mean you may never have another opportunity like this."

When I first broke the news to her, I pointed out that I would be coached by Bobby Rahal, Bryan Herta, Larry Dixon, Kenny Wallace or Rusty Wallace. I thought the news would calm her initial fears.

"Have you ever thought of getting Gunston Ascott as a coach?" she asked me the next day.

"Who?" I asked.

(See PAT, Page 3B)

Montgomery, Nizinski put on kicking clinic

2 lead Lady Warriors over Chatham Glenwood 3-1

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Chatham Glenwood drove an hour and a half on Saturday to watch the Michelle Montgomery and Amanda Nizinski show.

It was an expensive trip. It cost the Redskins a 3-1 loss to Granite City in a possible preview of the girls soccer super-sectional.

GCHS defeated Glenwood 3-2 in last year's super-sectional — after the Redskins had taken a 2-1 lead into halftime. Both squads returned virtually all players for this season.

"We didn't think Michelle would play," said Lady Warriors coach Gene Baker. "She had quite a severe injury. But she did play, and that made a huge difference. She brings so much adrenalin to each game. There's a certain amount of electricity present whenever she's on the field. She is so flexible. She plays with excellence in all three thirds of the field."

Montgomery switched between forward and defender through the game, making four key open field tackles, putting a pair of shots on goal and scoring the game-winner.

With the score knotted 1-1, Montgomery took the ball 25 yards from the goal, penetrat-

Granite City 3, Chatham Glenwood, 1

CHATHAM GLENWOOD 0 1 - 1
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First Half
GC — Connie Meyers (Unassisted), 21:25.

Second Half
CG — Katie Dyrum (Assisted by Julie Stralow), 46:39.

GC — Michelle Montgomery (Unassisted), 58:35.

GC — Erika Todd (Assisted by Ismahen Mohsen), 70:32.

Shots on Goal 2 2 - 4

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Goalkeepers — Chatham Glenwood: Amy Votava (first half, 7 shots, 6 saves), Tiffany Thursby (second half, 5 shots, 3 saves); Granite City: Shannon Roth (4 shots, 3 saves).

ed the box from the left side, worked her way past three defenders, and drilled a low liner from eight yards. Redskins goalkeeper Tiffany Thursby, who played the second half, got a piece of the ball but couldn't stop it. The goal, at 58:35, broke Glenwood's back.

"(Montgomery) made some incredible moves," said Redskins coach Jay Lipe. "And she made a great shot to beat our goalie. We had the momentum when we tied the game, but after that second goal, we never had it again."

"That as the back breaker," said Baker. "After that, it was all us."

"I was thinking goal all the way," said Montgomery. "I knew I could get through the traffic. And when I did, I hit the ball well and got the goal."

If Montgomery was the offensive star, Nizinski was the standout performer on defense. "Amanda Nizinski was the difference on defense," Baker said. "We gave her our game MVP, along with Michelle. She stopped a lot of plays before they had a chance to develop and she made an incredible number of passes out of the backfield. She played a superb game."

Nizinski had a pair of crucial tackles, including one inside the box early in the second half and consistently turned back Redskins attacks. Her passes from the defensive end opened numerous opportunities for the Lady Warriors, as her accurate shots repeatedly found Jaime Dellbringer, Felicia Mohsen and Ismahen Mohsen open at midfield.

Granite City (13-2-1) claimed the lone goal of the first half when Connie Meyers' direct free kick from 20 yards deflected off a defender and found the left side of the net. The shot completely fooled

(See KICKERS, Page 3B)



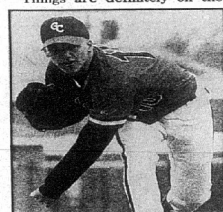
(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Crystal Cavins cruises down the field.

Warriors split with Springfield

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

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Mike Ahlvers brings it home.

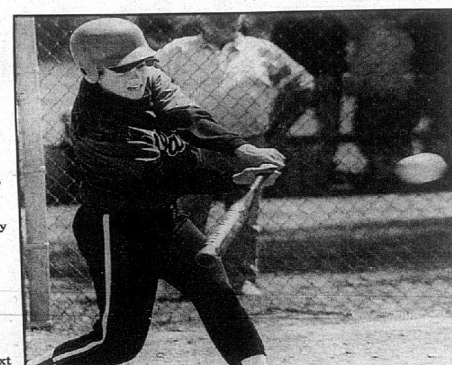
upswing for the Granite City baseball Warriors.

After thumping East St. Louis 13-3 in a five inning affair last Thursday, GCHS continued to hit the ball well and get good pitching performances in a double header split against Springfield on Saturday.

"Our games Saturday were definitely the best baseball we've played all year," said Warriors coach Gus Lignoul. "It's the first time this season that we've put consecutive good games together. Our hopes now are to keep the momentum going with three tough conference games this week."

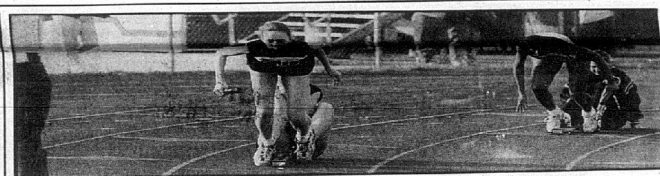
Granite City stung Springfield 6-2 in the opening contest.

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Granite City's Melissa Smith takes a swing.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Michelle Copeland, left, and Katrina Loyd take off from the starting blocks.

Brandt continues streak

Lady Warrior wins 4th SWC title; Boys place third in tourney

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Stephanie Brandt of the Lady Warriors is closing out one of the most amazing track and field careers in the history of Granite City High School

Sports. Brandt, who owns the second best throw in the state for the discus this year (136 feet), is a four-time county and conference champion in the event. She will also qualify for her fourth appearance in the state

finals at Charleston on May 23 and 24.

She has failed to finish first in the discus only twice in her high school career, losing once as a sophomore in a triangular meet and again as a junior at (See TRACK, Page 3B)

Pitching propels East to Cahokia tourney title

Lancers upend Maroons 6-0 in finals

SOFTBALL

By Scott Marion
Staff writer

Belleville East's pitching depth paid off as the Lancers beat Belleville West 6-0 Saturday in the championship game of the Cahokia Softball Tournament.

In the third-place game, the Herrin Tigers — stunned by the Saturday morning death of coach Bruce Jilek's wife — scored two runs in the bottom of the seventh to beat Clive Memorial 2-1. O'Fallon whipped Edwardsville 9-1 for fifth place and Dupu won the

consolation championship with a 14-7 victory over Alton. Belleville East (22-2) used all four of its healthy pitchers in claiming its third tourney title in four years. Junior Stephanie Votrian went the distance against West, scattering three hits, but senior Christy Croissant and Julie Louis and sophomore Kristen Becker also saw action. Junior Beth Kotras was out with a sore arm.

"West had just faced the fastest pitcher in the tournament (Herrin's Rachel Murphy)," said Lancers coach Rita Menke. "Votrian is a lot slower and it threw them off. She's deceiving — her ball moves." Both finalists came close to

losing in Friday's opening round. East edged Freshburg 4-3, then defeated O'Fallon 12-2 and Clive Memorial 6-1 on Saturday. West rallied to beat Gibault 6-5 on Friday, but looked sharp in beating Collinsville 9-0 and Herrin 3-0.

"The Freshburg game scared our kids," Menke said. "We were the No. 1 seed in the tournament, but we didn't play like it. (Friday) night, the three coaches sat down and tried to map out strategy. We had a different plan of attack when we played O'Fallon (which beat East in the second round last year at Cahokia)."

Earlier this season, the Lancers needed 12 innings to (See WRAP, Page 3B)

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an invitational. She is unbeaten this campaign.

She garnered her fourth Southwestern Conference title this past Thursday at East St. Louis with a throw of 123 feet, easily out-distancing the field.

"Stephanie has been throwing in the high 130s and low 140s in practice," said her coach, Gene Briggs. "Now we have to get her to do those throws in an actual meet."

The next meet for Brandt is the ITHA sectional Friday.

Brandt claimed the only championship for the Lady War-

riors in the SWC meet, but there were other highlights.

Beth Feenstra placed second in the shot put with a throw of 31 feet, 3 inches, and was fourth in the discus at 101 feet, 11 inches.

Lanese Griffith's time of 51.5 seconds in the 300-meter hurdles was good for a fifth-place finish.

Also placing fifth was the 4 x 800 relay team which covered the course in 13:34.5.

East St. Louis Lincoln led the eight-team pack with 201 points. Belleville West (103), Belleville East (77), Collinsville (53), Edwardsville (34), Alton (34), East St. Louis (33) and Granite City (22) rounded out the rest of

the field.

"Considering the number of girls I had to leave at home because they had missed practice, I was pleased with our performance," said Briggs.

The boys made another strong showing on Saturday, finishing third at the Collinsville Invitational. The Warriors, with 78 points, were edged by Collinsville (80). Mt. Vernon won the invitational with 122 points.

But the Warriors bested area foes Belleville East (77), Alton (65), Edwardsville (66), Cahokia (64) and Belleville West (56).

"We performed well," said Briggs. "As the weather gets warmer, you expect your times

to go down. Ours have been doing that."

The third-place finish was accomplished without the aid of the Warriors' premier sprinter, Dane Bauer, who had injured his ankle earlier in the week.

Still, the Warriors ran well.

First-place honors went to both the 4 x 200 (1:32.4) and 4 x 800 (8:25.5) relay teams, while the 4 x 400 squad finished fourth (3:32.0) and the 4 x 100 crew placed fifth (45.2).

Kelly Huckleberry placed first in both the 110-meter hurdles (16.0) and the 300-meter hurdles (41.4) for the Warriors' only individual championships.

Curtis Howard's time of 11.2

seconds in the 100-meter dash was good for a second-place finish, while George Wolfe was third in the triple jump (40 feet, eight inches). Rocky Smith finished fourth in the high jump (6 feet), and Scott Laird placed fifth in the shot put (44 feet).

Other individuals to place were Chris Tindall, sixth in the 200 meters; Josh Peachey, sixth in the 400 meters; Kevin Atkins, eighth in the 800 meters; and Jeremy Hunter, eighth in the triple jump.

The boys travel to East St. Louis on Thursday for the Southwestern Conference meet. Sectionals are May 23.

PREP STANDINGS

METRO EAST BASEBALL

| Southwestern Conference | | |
|-------------------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Edwardsville | 6-2 | 22-2 |
| Alton | 7-2 | 16-3 |
| Belleville East | 7-2 | 16-5 |
| Collinsville | 5-5 | 13-7 |
| Belleville West | 4-4 | 9-7 |
| East St. Louis | 3-6 | 3-6 |
| Granite City | 3-7 | 9-11 |
| Lincoln | 0-9 | 0-13 |

| Mississippi Valley | | |
|--------------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Highland | 6-1 | 14-7 |
| Rosana | 5-2 | 12-8 |
| Jerseyville | 4-3 | 14-5 |
| Triad | 4-4 | 8-10 |
| Chico Memorial | 3-3 | 8-9 |
| Mascoutah | 3-5 | 7-13 |
| Wood River | 0-7 | 3-17 |

| Independents | | |
|---------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Gibault | 1-1 | 17-8 |
| Alhambra | 1-1 | 10-9 |
| Mater Dei | 1-1 | 13-10 |
| M.E. Lutheran | 1-1 | 6-7 |
| Vainover | 1-1 | 5-12 |
| Marquette | 1-1 | 5-12 |

METRO EAST SOFTBALL

| Southwestern | | |
|-----------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Belleville East | 9-0 | 22-2 |
| Belleville West | 8-2 | 21-5 |
| Belleville West | 6-2 | 14-3 |
| Granite City | 5-4 | 13-11 |
| Collinsville | 3-7 | 9-12 |
| Lincoln | 1-8 | 1-10 |
| East St. Louis | 0-10 | 0-11 |

| Mississippi Valley | | |
|--------------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Civic Memorial | 7-0 | 12-6 |
| Highland | 7-0 | 15-7 |
| Joazeur | 6-3 | 10-8 |
| Mascoutah | 6-3 | 9-8 |
| Madison | 3-4 | 9-9 |
| Wood River | 1-7 | 1-20 |
| Hoxana | 0-8 | 1-18 |

| Independents | | |
|---------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Alhambra | 2-1 | 21-2 |
| Gibault | 2-1 | 12-9 |
| Granite City | 1-5 | 10-9 |
| Highland | 1-5 | 13-15 |
| Mater Dei | 1-1 | 13-10 |
| M.E. Lutheran | 1-1 | 5-6 |
| Vainover | 1-1 | 1-5 |

METRO EAST SOCCER

| Southwestern Conference | | |
|-------------------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Granite City | 10-2 | 12-21 |
| Collinsville | 4-1 | 8-30 |
| Alton | 3-3 | 9-7-0 |
| Belleville East | 2-3 | 7-5-2 |
| Edwardsville | 1-2 | 6-21 |
| Lincoln | 1-3 | 3-30 |
| Belleville West | 0-4 | 2-40 |

| Mississippi Valley | | |
|--------------------|-------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Wood River | 4-0 | 5-13 |
| Civic Memorial | 3-3 | 7-5 |
| Highland | 0-3-2 | 0-7-2 |

| Independents | | |
|---------------|------|---------|
| Team | Conf | Overall |
| Alhambra | 2-0 | 8-20 |
| Marquette | 1-1 | 4-21 |
| Gibault | 1-1 | 3-50 |
| M.E. Lutheran | 1-1 | 1-34 |
| Cahokia | 1-1 | 1-40 |

•Kickers

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keeper Amy Volava, who never left the center of the goal.

Defender Christy Klippel, who was near the left post, got a foot on the ball, but watched helplessly as it ricocheted into the goal.

Chatham Glenwood (10-5-3) struck back just 6 1/2 minutes into the second half when Julie Stralow's direct free kick was mishandled by Shannon Roth.

Katie Byram scooped the rebound and scored the second goal.

The Redskins, playing without all-star Megan Steward and all-conference selection Amy Sanders, dominated play over the next 10 minutes, spurred on by the tying goal.

But Montgomery's score changed everything.

With the Lady Warriors back in front 2-1, the ball rarely left the GCHS offensive end of the field the rest of the way.

The most exciting goal of the match came at 70:30 and put the Lady Warriors up 3-1. Jaime Dellbringe dribbled wide down the right side, sent a perfect pass into the box to Ismaham Mohsen, who swept it across to Erika Todd, who was charging the goal from the left side.

Thursday had no chance as Todd one-timed it into the net.

The Lady Warriors hosted Collinsville on Monday. Look in Thursday's Press Record for details.

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Ryan Rellecke's RBI double in the second inning staked the Warriors to a 1-0 lead, which became 2-0 one inning later. But the Senators struck for a pair of their own runs in the bottom of the fifth to even the score at 2-2.

David Parker's RBI single in the top of the sixth put Granite in the lead to stay. The Warriors led 4-2 after six and 6-2 heading into the bottom of the seventh.

Dustin Brewer threw five

innings of three-hit ball to pick up the victory. He struck out six and allowed only one earned run.

In addition to Rellecke and Parker, who drove key runs across the plate, Jeff Hayden had a big day going two for four with a triple and driving in three runs. The win moved GCHS to 9-11 on the year.

The Warriors jumped to a sudden 10-3 lead after four innings, game two, but faltered down the stretch, bowing to Springfield 12-11 in eight innings.

"Coach DePew and I had

agreed that since this was a double header, we would try to play as many of our non-regulars as possible," said Lignoul. "We wanted to get everybody in the game, if there was any way possible. As a result, when we got the big lead, we picked a couple of guys who haven't seen much action. As it turned out, they couldn't do the job."

The loss dropped the Warriors to 9-12, but was still a positive statement that fortunes have turned for Gus Lignoul's squad, which up until a week ago had

trouble scratching out hits, let alone runs.

"I am very pleased with our performance against East St. Louis and excited about the future," said Lignoul. "We're playing our best ball of the year. We're peaking."

Adding another positive note to the Warriors' late season improvement is the approaching return to the line-up of senior Mark Briggs, scheduled to be released by the doctor on May 21.

Briggs has been recuperating from surgery of a torn ACL, an injury sustained during the bas-

keball season, and is currently about 50 percent.

Lignoul is excited about the turn in the Warriors' fortunes.

"We're out of the race for the conference championship, but we're taking dead aim at the regionals," he said. "With Brewer and Alvers pitching well, with our bats coming to life, and with the return of Briggs to the line-up, we feel we can make a serious run in the regionals. You never know what can happen."

•Wrap

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beat O'Fallon 4-3.

"The key thing for us today was winning the O'Fallon game," Menke said. "It was such a confidence boost. Scoring early — five runs in the first two innings — was the big difference."

The first East-West game, on April 29, was another marathon, as the Lancers won 2-1 in 14 innings. The teams were scheduled to play again last Thursday, but the game was rained out and rescheduled for

May 22.

In Saturday's rematch, West made five errors and allowed five unearned runs.

"You don't make errors against a good team and expect to come back and win," said Maroons coach Bob Yagge, whose team dropped to 14-3. "We're still making a few mistakes, but we're learning."

West got five solid innings from freshman pitcher Heather Hubert, who had already no-hit Collinsville and shut out Herrin. All four runs scored against Hubert were unearned.

"Heather pitched very well

the whole tournament, even in the loss," Yagge said. "The defense just didn't make the plays behind her. I thought (freshman) Tiffany Toenjes pitched well the last two innings."

East took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first inning with the help of a Maroons error. The Lancers made the score 2-0 in the fourth, as Emily Hodel reached base on an error, advanced to third on a ground-out by Sarah Holloway and scored on a wild pitch.

Menke's team added two more runs in the fifth. Bennett

got a two-out single and Fourie scored when West center fielder Lindsay Rust bobbled the ball. Bennett came around to score on a throwing error by catcher Abby Kaesberg.

East closed out the scoring late in the seventh with two runs off Toenjes. West, meanwhile, stranded seven baserunners against Votrian, including two in the seventh.

"Our impatience at the plate really showed today," Yagge said. "We were ready to hit against Becker and all of a sudden we were facing Votrian. We had to adjust our

•Pat

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"Gunston Ascott," she repeated. "I've done a lot of research and I'd just feel a lot better if he were your coach."

"Never heard of him," I said, and dropped the matter. Nonetheless, my persistent

wife finally located Mr. Ascott last week living in a ramshackle apartment in the suburbs of East Scappoose, Oregon. She's asked me to clear it with Gateway so that Ascott could be my personal coach.

I asked a friend of mine who is big time into racing. "Have you ever heard of Gunston

Ascott?"

"Who hasn't?" he replied. "I haven't," I said.

"Gunston Ascott has been in four races in his life," my friend said with a snicker. "and each time he's had a speed crash on the first turn of the second lap."

"Was he hurt?" I asked

fearfully.

"Yeah," said my friend. "He spent months in the hospital each time. Almost killed him the last time. He's holed up somewhere in Oregon, I think. West of the Mississippi."

"What about East of the Mississippi?" I wanted to know.

"No, he's never been in the East," he said. "They'd probably let him race."

I suddenly smelled a skunk. Last night, my wife informed me that she would fix my favorite meal on Sunday night, less than 12 hours before my

fateful spin around the track.

I suddenly smelled a dead skunk.

I called my editor this morning to try to get out of the race. "No way," he said. "It'll be honest, I don't know who I accepted the offer. I can't even say Reynard/Ford-Cosworth fast three times. But, I'm going through with it."

After all, I just got a call from Gunston Ascott. He apologized, said he was still in a body cast and couldn't make it.

"Not to worry," I said. "It's the thought that counts."

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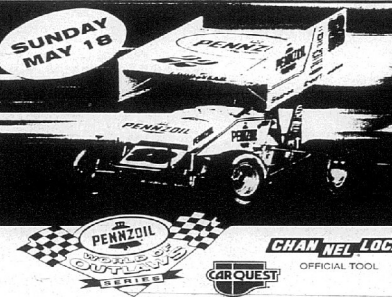
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NEWS

Erosion causes problems to area property, life

Many prairie streams that have meandered through the countryside for centuries have become dangerous, fast-moving waterways, capable of causing major destruction of property and life. The culprit is streambank erosion-taking sizable bites from the banks of creeks, streams and rivers.

Fortunately there is a low-cost solution to this problem—the "willow-post method"—and landowners across Illinois are learning where and how this system can best be used to stabilize eroding streambanks.

Streambank erosion occurs whenever the erosive power of a stream or river is so great that it cuts large chunks of soil from the bank. As the stream cuts deeper into the foot of the bank, the bank is weakened and eventually collapses into the stream.

When this happens, productive topsoil falls into the stream. Besides washing away valuable farmland, the problem causes rivers, lakes or backwater areas to choke with sediment, inhibiting the growth of aquatic plants and disturbing the habitat of fish, ducks and other wildlife.

In most instances, streambank erosion means that significant changes in land use and management have occurred upstream, causing a dramatic increase in the volume and velocity of runoff water. The increased runoff may be the result of the straightening and channelizing of creeks and streams, the clearing of streambank vegetation, or the increased planting of erosive row crops such as

corn and soybeans.

Traditionally, streambank erosion has been controlled by placing rock, concrete or steel along the eroding bank. These methods typically cost \$50 to \$200 per foot and require maintenance and repair through the years. But the willow-post method is equally effective and significantly more economical. It can be installed for only \$7 to \$15 per foot.

The willow-post method controls streambank erosion through the installation of native willow cuttings along the bank. Willows are native to the region, easy to obtain and can be installed quickly. The entire willow plant works to control streambank erosion. The willow root network binds the soil together, while the foliage slows floodwaters near the eroding bank, which also helps control erosion downstream.

In addition to its low installation costs, the willow-post method offers other benefits. The use of native plants encourages natural habitats in and around streams and enhances scenic beauty. Maintenance costs are low because the willow-post method creates a natural environment that is self-sustaining. And as the willows slow streambank erosion, grasses and more valuable trees can grow.

The system has been tested and proven effective in Illinois under flood conditions, even when heavy spring floods carry ice flows. You need not worry that the willows will spread upward into your adjacent fields or clog the channel.

When installed at severe erosion sites, the willows have remained at the water's edge, their preferred environment.

In the Midwest, the willow-post method has been used most successfully along streams in agricultural floodplains without tree cover. However, it is not recommended for drainage ditches.

The willow-post method is most effective when used with a "systems approach" to land and water management. A systems approach means that you also control erosion on the land upstream from the unstable streambank. In cropland areas, you can achieve this goal with no-till and mulch-till farming systems.

To decide if you need to take action to control streambank erosion follow these steps:

1. Make site visits to the creeks that flow through your land. Starting upstream from

your property, walk the entire length of the creeks and identify the locations and severity of streambank erosion sites.

2. Examine each streambank erosion site carefully and assess the potential for additional damage and future property loss.

3. Find out where to obtain more information and assistance. You can contact the local offices of the soil and water conservation district, Cooperative Extension Service and Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Cost-share assistance is available through Conservation 2000 funds and through the Stewardship Incentive Program for streambank erosion control. For cost-share assistance, contact your local soil and water conservation district. Your local land improvement contractors can provide

the necessary equipment and expertise for installing the willow-post system on your property.

Local contact: Janet R. Burnett, Extension Unit Leader
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The CFI opened their hearts and their treasuries, spending \$63,000 on fraternal disbursements. The number of events the councils sponsored reached a new high of 662 for 1996, while 14,000 acts of fraternalism and volunteerism resulted in 31,000 hours of sharing themselves with others. It was a banner year for volunteerism, and CFI saluted all of its volunteers who worked so hard to bring glory to all the members of the society.

The highest participation in volunteer activities and sponsorship of events is the Silver Star Award, which was presented to officers of Freeburg Council 19, Belleville Council 31 and 71 and Breese Council 82.

The second-highest level of participation is the Honor Level 1 award, which was presented to Breese Council 7, Trenton Council 8, Carlyle Council 19, Bartlesville Council 22, Germantown Council 43, Damiansville Council 45, Highland Council 56, New Baden Council 83, Beckemeyer Council 88, Columbia Council 11, St. Rose Council 28, St. Mary's Council 37, Pierson Council 90, and Evansville Council 113.

Joining Mascoutah Council 24 on Honor Level III were Beaver Prairie Council 97 and Poplarville Council 104, both first-time recipients of a volunteer participation award.

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CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 2020 Johnson Road, holds Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. and morning worship at 10:45 a.m. every Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

NEW LIFE ASSEMBLY MAYFEET, Faith & Buxton, Saturday, May 17, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. Come enjoy a day outdoors with good gospel music and good food. Featuring Heartfelt Expressions of Praise, Kim and Joey Pritchard, New Life Children's Choir and others. BBQ, funnel cakes, ice cold watermelon and lemonade. Everyone is welcome!

Community

MITCHELL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 2 monthly meeting, 7 p.m., second Tuesday of each month, Maryville and Old Alton roads.

Dance

MIDWESTERN UNITED STATES IMPERIAL DANCE CLUB (MUSIC) will hold its regular meeting Sunday, May 18, 6 p.m., at the American Legion Hall in Collinsville. The public is invited for dance lessons and open dancing at a cost of \$4 for nonmember and \$2 for members. For more information, call 463-2405.

BOOTS & SLIPPERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB, square dance lessons, 7 to 9 p.m., every Tuesday. First Christian Church, across from the Cracker Barrel, Caseyville. The cost is \$2.50 per person, per lesson. For more information, call 797-6528 or 344-4636.

Food/Nutrition

RESCUE MISSION, 1536 Fourth St., Madison, food pantry is open from 9 a.m. to noon every Saturday. Samuel Turner is the chairman, Yolanda Turner is the secretary and Alfred Turner is the pastor.

Health/Exercise

Bemis Chiropractic, 3361 Fehling Road in Granite City, is offering FREE ELECTRONIC SPINAL SCREENINGS from 9 a.m. to noon every Tuesday and Thursday. Call

876-2273 for more information.

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY Chapter 2363, 6:45 p.m. every Thursday at Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St. For information, 797-6351 or 877-2784.

TOPS 2048 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly), 6 p.m. every Monday, Melvin Price Support Center in Granite City, 878-2124.

TOPS IL 645, 7 p.m. every Monday, Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St., Granite City, 452-6102. Men and women welcome.

On Tuesday, May 20, at 7:30 p.m., St. Elizabeth Medical Center's Behavioral Health System will present a talk entitled "MANAGING EVERYDAY STRESS: YOU GOT TO HAVE FUN". This talk will be given by Ellen Plotner, CTRS, of the Behavioral Health System and will be held in SEMC Pascal Hall. The talk is free and open to the public. Call the Resource Center at 798-3888 to register, or for more information.

TOPS 1699 (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) will meet at 6:45 p.m. every Tuesday at the Anchorage Recreation Center, 2909 Edwards St.; call 797-2724 for more information. Men and women are welcome to attend.

Organizations

LIONS CLUB OF PONTON BEACH meets at 6:30 a.m., first and third Thursday of each month at the Lions Den, 3901 Lake Drive in Ponton Beach. Anyone interested in helping the visual or hearing impaired are welcome. Call Bob at 797-0747 for more information.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS CHAPTER 1840, May dinner-dance at the Hagnauer Town Hall, 2060 Delmar. Doors open at 5 p.m.; dinner at 6 p.m.; dancing starts at 7 p.m. Dinner catered by Jerry's Cafeteria. Music by Jerry's Kids. All seniors 50 and over are welcome. For information call 877-3020.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUP of Central Christian Church meets at 8:30 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month for breakfast and fellowship. For more information

and/or location of meetings call 931-2098.

THE SARAH AND DORCAS CIRCLES OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meet at 9:30 a.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and/or meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

THE RUTH CIRCLE OF CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP meets at 7 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. For more information and/or meeting location, call Helen Stumpe at 931-2098.

THE JOLLY QUILTERS, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., every Thursday at the Social Center, 906 Thorngate Drive, Mitchell.

GRANITE CITY COMMUNITY BAND rehearsals, 7:30 to 9 p.m., every Thursday, St. John United Church of Christ, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 931-0443.

THE PONTON BEACH JAYCEES regular meeting is held at 7:30 p.m., the first and third MHR Sunday of month, at Ralph and Charlie's Steak House. The meetings are open and the public is invited.

CAMERA EXPLORERS CLUB, Hartford Public Library, 143 W. Hawthorne St., 7 p.m., first Monday of each month, call Beverly Zager, 254-9394.

TOASTMASTERS INTERNATIONAL meets the first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month from 7 - 9 p.m. at Shoney's, Hwy 157 (at Commerce Drive), Collinsville. Come join us for better communication and leadership skills. For more information call 692-6026 or 344-2898.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, 4TH DEGREE, 4225 Old Alton Road, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday of each month, 877-4250.

GRANITE CITY KIWANIS meet at Shoney's at 7:30 a.m. every Tuesday.

The Troy/Maryville/Collinsville chapter of Business Network Int'l (BNI) meets every Tuesday at 7 a.m. at Randy's Restaurant in Troy. For more information, please call Lisa at (618)667-8340.

School

SCHOOL OF METAPHYSICS, 7:30 to 10:30 p.m., every Tuesday, 9459 Roslan Place, St. John, Mo. 63114. Classes in applied metaphysics. Call Melanie McManus at 452-0076.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., every Wednesday, St. Elizabeth School's Noah's Ark Day Care, Ponton Road, Granite City. The meetings are closed except for the last Wednesday of the month.

PARENTS ANONYMOUS GROUP, meets 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., first and third Thursday of each month. For information on where meeting will be held, call Elaine Searcy at 462-2714 or Lyle Cubberly at 876-2382.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT GROUP meets from 6:30 to 8 p.m., third Thursday of each month, in the President's Room, near Bonaventure's Cafeteria, on the ground floor of St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave. The group focuses on addressing the questions and concerns of caregivers and family members of people with Alzheimer's. All meetings are open to community members. Call 788-3018 for more information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., every Thursday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m., every Thursday, Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, 1 (800) 307-6600.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 11 a.m., every Thursday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison Ave., Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

ALANON, 7 p.m. every Thursday, Wellness Center, 2103 Iowa, 463-2428.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Seeking recovery, 8 p.m. every Thursday, 2018 Dolmar Ave., 24-hour hotline 398-9409.

ALANON meets at 8 p.m. every Friday in the Milton Room in the basement at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Call 463-2429 for more information.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon and 8 p.m., every Friday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

STEMSS (Support Together for Emotional and Mental Serenity and Sobriety), A support group for people with a mental illness and an alcohol or substance abuse problem, meets every Friday from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. at Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Call 798-3604 for more information. (See CALENDAR, Page 6B)

Seniors

PONTON BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS BINGO, every Wednesday, 11:30 a.m., 3910 Illinois 111, Ponton Beach.

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EAGLE PARK ACRE SENIORS OF MADISON meet every Thursday from 10 a.m. to noon at 100 Hill St. (rear), Eagle Park Acres, Madison.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON PINOCCHIO CLUB for seniors 55 and over meets at 12:30 p.m. every Friday at the Harold Brown Building, Franklin Avenue and Ponton Road. Call 877-0350 for more information.

SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB meets every Sunday at the Nelson Hagnauer Township Hall. Doors open at 12:30 p.m., bingo and games start at 2 p.m. Call 877-1215 for more details.

PONTON BEACH SENIOR CITIZENS, meeting, third Tuesday or each month, 7 p.m., 3910 Illinois 111, Ponton Beach.

Support Groups

STROKE SUPPORT GROUP, for patients, their families and caregivers, 6:30 p.m., second Wednesday of each month, in Pascal Hall, St. Elizabeth Medical Center. Refreshments are served. Call 798-3018 for more information.

PULMONARY SUPPORT GROUP, for persons with diagnosed lung condition, 11 a.m. to noon every Wednesday in 4 Doctors Solarium, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 798-3019.

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OBSESSIVE/COMPULSIVE DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP, meets the third Saturday of each month, at Von Gontard Conference Center, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center, 815 South New Ballas Road, 10 a.m. Meeting is free and open to OCD patients, family and friends. For information call 1 (314) 842-7228.

AL-ANON ADULT CHILDREN, Providence, 203 Iowa, 10 a.m. every Saturday, park in rear, no smoking, 463-2429.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Saturday, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Acceptance, 8 p.m. every Saturday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 1:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. every Sunday, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Live the Steps, 8 p.m. every Sunday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Sunday, St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Pascal Hall, main floor, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP, 3:45-4:30 p.m. third Sunday of each month, at Central Christian Church, 2020 Johnson Road, Granite City. The group, men only, will meet in the church's Terrace Room, enter through the Fellowship Hall door on the east side of the building. There is no charge. For more information phone Roger Zollars, any evening, at (618) 656-5438.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, noon and 8 p.m. every Monday, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

AL-ANON, 9:30 a.m. every Monday, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY RELAPSE PREVENTION group meets from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. every Monday at the Edwardsville Health Center, 1123 University Drive in Edwardsville. The group focuses on eliminating relapse-prone thinking, feeling and behavior patterns and helping group members grow in sobriety. For more information, call 788-3888.

NEGLECTED VICTIMS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE support group for nonoffending parents of victims, meets from 8 to 7:30 p.m. every Monday at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville's Rape and Sexual Abuse Care Center. Call 692-2197 for details.

LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS SUPPORT GROUP, sub-chapter of Illinois Lupus Foundation, 7:30 p.m., third Tuesday of each month, Memorial Hospital auditorium, Belleville, 233-7750, extension 5890.

PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN, St. Louis Chapter, 8-10 p.m., the third Tuesday of each month at the American Cancer Society Building, 4201 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis. For more information call 452-2149 or (314) 391-2230.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8:30 a.m. and 8 p.m., every Tuesday, 2116 Club, 2116 Edison, Granite City, 1 (800) 307-6600.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (women only), 8 p.m., every Tuesday, Presbyterian Church, Mitchell, 1 (800) 307-6600.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS, 8 p.m. every Tuesday, St. John United Church, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 692-8078.

AL-ANON, 8 p.m., every Tuesday, St. John United Church, 2901 Nameoki Road, Granite City, 463-2429.

AL-ANON, 8 p.m., every Tuesday, Niedringhaus United Methodist Church cafeteria, 20th and Delmar, Granite City, 463-2429.

ALATEEN AND PREALATEEN PROGRAM for 12 to 17 age group, and prelateen for seven to 11 year age group, meets at 8 p.m. every Tuesday at Niedringhaus United Methodist Church, 20th and Delmar. For more information call 463-2429.

THE CIRCLE OF HOPE, a 12-step healing program for anyone whose life is affected by HIV infection meets at 7 p.m. every Tuesday at the King's House on North 66th Street in Belleville. For more information, call 234-0291.

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS, Path to Recovery, 8 p.m. every Sunday, 2016 Delmar Ave., 24-hour hot-line 398-9409.

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NEWS

Dickens reaches century mark

Sherman Dickens is aptly named. For even at age 100, he's still a real dickens.

"I've obeyed the word of God. Jesus done his part and I've done my part," Dickens said when asked for the secret to his longevity. He turned 100 on April 15.

Living in Madison with his daughter, Isabelle Brooks, Dickens is a client in the Senior Companion Program (SCP) operated by Belleville Area College's Programs and Services for Older Persons.

Under the program, SCP volunteers may spend up to five days a week in the homes of clients, providing encouragement and friendship, as well as respite for their caregivers. SCP volunteers earn a modest stipend.

Dickens is visited every weekday by a companion. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, it is Gladys Williams of Madison, who has been a SCP volunteer for 13 years.

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, it is Beatrice Wigfall of Venice, who has served as a SCP volunteer for twelve years. Besides spending time with Dickens at his home, Williams and Wigfall occasionally take time to attend events at the nearby senior center. That is where a 100th birthday was held for Dickens, who said many of her immediate family members also lived long lives.



Sherman Dickens

"My sister passed when she was 101. My brother lived to be 75. My mother died when she was 82. Dickens' father died relatively young.

Age has physically slowed him. But mentally, Dickens is sharper than probably most people half his age.

He points to his artificial right leg and recalls how his real leg was shot off in a hunting accident, at age 13 in Mississippi, where he was born and raised.

"My younger brother thought

I was a rabbit," Dickens said with a laugh.

He is missing two fingers on his left hand and remembers losing them in a sawing accident during his 40-year career as a blacksmith, working on a Mississippi plantation for his boss, Eric Waddell.

He also recalls his wife of 60 years and one year, "Miss Mabel," who died in August 1986. In December 1986, Dickens suffered a paralyzing stroke at his Blytheville, Ark., home. Shortly after that, his two daughters, Brooks, and Elizabeth Moore, traveled to Arkansas to bring Dickens to Madison with them.

Today, Dickens' vision is limited, but he still has an ear for music, especially church music, which he listens to on cassette tapes.

Dickens admits to "taking a little whiskey and smoking an occasional cigar." But, by and large, his said his life has been free of vices.

At age 8, my oldest brother dropped a bit of snuff on my tongue. I was so sick after that," he said.

In addition to his two daughters, Dickens has three granddaughters, three great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter.

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NEWS

Belleville No. 1 in 'Live and Learn' program

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

Belleville school districts led the way in grant monies received from the state's "Live and Learn" program.

Last week, Secretary of State George Ryan, who sponsors the program, announced that 769 school districts across the state will share \$1.3 million in grant monies.

Seven Belleville area school

districts were the recipients of over \$8,700 in grant monies.

Belle Valley School District 119 received \$705; Belleville Public School District 118 received \$2,558; Belleville Township High School 201 received \$3,195; Harmony-Emge School District received \$596; Signal Hill School District 181 received \$288; Whiteside School District 115 received \$721; and Wolf Branch School District 113 received \$680.

More than \$1,000 was distributed to Fairview Heights' two school districts through the program.

Grant-Ilinois School District 110 received \$588 and Pontiac-William Holiday School District 105 was awarded \$462.

District 110 Superintendent Dr. Ken Perkins said the monies will be used to purchase materials for the library, and supplements the annual funding given by the school district.

trict.

Mascoutah School District 19 received \$890 through the program.

Four O'Fallon area school districts received over \$3,600.

Central School District 104 received \$283; O'Fallon School District 90 received \$1,715; O'Fallon Township High School District 203 received \$1,317; and Shiloh Village District 85 received \$326.

In order to qualify, the

school or attendance center must have an acting librarian, an established library, an organized library collection and receive ongoing support from the school district.

This year's program will support 1.8 million Illinois students, serving an additional 50,000 more than last year. The program is administered by the Illinois State Library and was the first nationwide grant program to provide school districts with funding based on

enrollment. Qualifying districts receive 75 cents per pupil.

"School libraries throughout the state rely on these grants each year to upgrade their collections and acquire new information technology. Unfortunately, many Illinois school districts have minimal resources to spend on their school libraries, so these funds represent a significant source of support," said Ryan, who also serves as the state librarian.

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At work, employees are restless, wondering if it's worth the trouble. Bosses need to give plenty of strokes for work well done! Venus and Pluto are in opposition, which raises a few questions about where love relationships are headed as well. Limbo is as uncomfortable as not being together at all right now. It is important to be honest, simply stating your feelings about love.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 14) The greatest barrier between you and your dreams is your own deeply held skepticism. This year, you're able to dissipate doubts and take risks. You are irresistible to lovers and business partners alike. Leo finds love with Cancer or Leo. Ask for more money, and watch your influence rise in July. New meetings bring knowledge, romance and wealth in August.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A social function will be successful, but time at home must not be neglected. Risk telling all to a relative — the truth is needed to make a point. A Pisces appreciates your finer qualities. Try not to allow a dilemma to zap your energy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Let nothing stand between you and your emerging talent. A skeptical friend needs exposure to the spiritual side of life. Your mate would love a little attention — plan a romantic evening out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21) Though your pain or confusion usually doesn't show, displaying vulnerability is what brings you into the arms of a nurturing person. Travel contributes to career success. Creativity is enriched by family involvement.

CANCER (June 22-July 22) Regain lost ground by being truthful. Life can be so much more positive footing with the introduction of a better role model. A friend needs your ear. A business deal made with a neighbor begins to see profit.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You play for high stakes in romantic matters. You can win every round if you remain true to your principles. Your impressive work history makes you the ideal candidate to head up new projects. Keep calm in a

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Jealous competitors may undermine your confidence, but the help of a Leo or Aries puts you on top. Let your playful side out at a social event much-needed relaxation results. A close friend gets you closer to artistic goal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Luck involves celebrities, political activities and civic duties — all of which impress business associates. Decide on vacation plans now. Cerebral connection with a co-worker is the beginning of something more.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) You score a point, putting you in the spotlight for a quick moment. A program you began at work takes off, and the boss takes note. Review the budget closely — it may need revision. Knowing another language comes in handy.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Move into a position of added credibility by discarding your will to please anyone other than yourself. Additions to your social calendar reflect a new, travel-oriented mind. Watch a relative for domestic tips.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You win in negotiations as your charm combined with specialized knowledge puts you ahead of your challengers. Romance is in the works — Libra and Taurus are likely candidates. Take extra time to plan a social event.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Take a chance. Your business venture gets more investors than you know what to do with. Keep financial goals in sight — you score when others slacken their pace. Scorpio and Sagittarius are friendly advisers.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Romance takes a back seat to more practical considerations. Look for ideas on an artistic project in unusual places. Health is made a priority due to advice from a medical professional. You diffuse negative energy.

'The Saint' director calls film a romance

Director Phillip Noyce seems perplexed by a review of his new film 'The Saint,' starring Val Kilmer.

The notice dwells on the movie as action yarn, virtually ignoring the romance between a Kilmer's dashing hero and Elisabeth Shue, who plays a scientist-cum-babe-in-distress.

That focus, insists Noyce, misses the soul of 'The Saint.' "They didn't even acknowledge the fact there was a relationship, when I think it's all about relationship," Noyce said.

It's not unusual for movie-makers to claim more for a film than observers might allow, such as historical accuracy in "JFK" or a coherent plot and competent acting in "Showgirls."

Noyce, however, has earned his stripes as one of a select group of directors capable of infusing big-budget action movies with heart and mind as well as gunplay.

He's in company with Andrew Davis of "Under Siege" and "The Fugitive." And with the likes of Tony Scott, who got it just right in the submarine thriller "Criminal Minds."

"Patriot Games" and "Clear and Present Danger," drawn from the Tom Clancy novels, paid Noyce's admission to the club, which requires a resume filled with more than amusement-park rides like "The Rock" or "Eraser."

Producer Mike Neufeld, who helped Noyce jump from his low-budget Australian roots ("Newsfront") 1978, "Dead On," 1989) into the Hollywood blockbuster with 1992's "Patriot Games," said Noyce's ability to direct action scenes was moot.

"When you're doing a film, you've got a stunt coordinator and a director of photography and a second-unit director who have done action all their lives," Neufeld said. Noyce, he said, was adept at interplay between characters.

With "The Saint," a '90s take on the durable Simon Templar character born in Leslie Charteris' novels, Noyce with Neufeld along as one of four producers) takes further liberties with the action genre.

Set in Russia and England, the film introduces us to Kilmer's Templar, who survived a gator-chilled to make a very nice living as a wily mas-

ter of disguise stealing for the highest bidder.

He gets an attack of conscience and love, however, when he meets the scientist (Shue), whose cold-fusion research is hotly pursued by a Russian industrialist plotting a national coup.

Kilmer is troubled, Shue is in trouble and boy do they need each other.

Their courtship is central to the \$68 million movie, which includes a modest (by Schwarzenegger or Stallone standards) share of car chases, gunfire and vicious killers.

"What we tried to do was fashion a film that would surprise the audience not because the explosions were bigger, but because the action set pieces were more robust. It's almost a no-win situation there," Noyce said.

Even trying to label the resulting film can seem no-win.

"Knowing that there was a film called 'Mission: Impossible,' knowing that there was a series resurrected called 'James Bond,' says Noyce, "we tried to evolve an approach to so-called action movies called the non-action action movie."

A real tongue twister, that. Noyce also proposes the more manageable label of adventure-romance.

Whatever the tag, Noyce is confident about what makes "The Saint" nonstandard. There's the central love affair, of course. Then there's the issue of pace, and his battle to keep it from going warp speed.

"It's not really a problem in the rest of the world as it is in America," says Noyce. "American audiences are very impatient, and the genre exacerbates that impatience."

He notes that an early version of "The Saint" was screened for a British audience at 2 hours, 40 minutes, and drew nary a complaint. A version shortened by 20 minutes was shown here and "the pressure was to cut it much faster," Noyce said. The final movie is a speedier 114 minutes.

The production's look offered another chance to strike a better balance between style. Noyce has no quibble with a time article calling his film "dark" — almost drab — and broody.

Trying to avoid comparisons with Bond, Batman or "Mission: Impossible," "The Saint" deliberately bypassed high design in favor of bleak realism, Noyce said.

"We're dealing with emotions that we hope the audience takes seriously. If you stylize a movie, they can't take them seriously because they know they're only watching a cartoon."

Noyce — whose next project is an adaptation of Graham Greene's Vietnam-set novel "The Quiet American" — traces his ability to tweak the action genre in part to his Australian roots.

"Audiences are always looking for a new way of looking at old things. The advantage of being an outsider and ... like all Australians, brought up on a combination of English and American culture, is that you look with a slightly different set of eyes," Noyce said.

The filmmaker shares a memory about his own show business epiphany, which just happened to involve a moment of high action.

In the 1960s, traveling performers visited his small town of Griffith in New South Wales. A 9-year-old Noyce jumped at the chance to earn free admission by helping drum up business outside their tent.

His role: Sticking out his tongue to hold a piece of paper. A sword-wielding wom-

an then cut it neatly in half, leaving Noyce intact and the crowd thrilled.

"I can always remember how the audience screamed and what it felt like to be a part of that. I can never forget that," he said. "You have this connection with the audience, this relationship."

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Nearly 280 undergraduate students were honored in recognition of their academic achievement during the 1996-97 year at the recent Sciences and Mathematics Banquet on the campus of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. To be honored, an undergraduate student is required to carry a 3.2 cumulative grade average.

BELLEVILLE: Clarence Ashbaugh, of general science and mathematics; Marsha Batholomy, of biological sciences (medical technician);

Candace Caveny, of general science and mathematics; David Collins (Outstanding Mathematics/Statistics Student Award), of mathematics and statistics; Eddy Delrio, and April Elliott, both of biological sciences (medical science); Dale Ficken, of biological science (ecology, evolution, and environment); David Griffin and Kent Hacksadt, both of mathematics and statistics; Jennifer Henninger, of general science and mathematics; Michael Harton, of biological

sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment); Pamela Miller, of mathematics and statistics; Richard Munie, of mathematics and statistics (actuarial science); Erik Olson, (Chemistry Undergraduate Research Award), of chemistry; Lisa Richardson, of mathematics and statistics; Pamela Rothenbaum, of biological sciences (medical science); Andrea Schmidt, of biological sciences; Amy Smekrud, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment);

Kristy Waelta, of biological sciences (medical science); Julia Weber, of biological sciences; Holly Wells, of mathematics and statistics (actuarial science); Juli Wrothen, of biological sciences (medical science); and Julie Yankey, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment).

BRESEE: Kelly Raterman, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment) and Maria Timmerman, of biological sciences (medical technician).

CAHOKIA: Chad Stroud, of biological sciences (medical science) and Jennifer Pierce, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment).

CASEVILLE: Kelly Kosa, of biological sciences (medical science) and Jennifer Pierce, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment).

COLLINSVILLE: Anthony Becker, of biological science (genetics); Kevin Clark (Outstanding General Chemistry Student), of chemistry; Duane

Clerc, of biological sciences; Marie Cooper, of chemistry; Mary Elliott, of biological sciences (medical science); Russell Fitzgerald (Outstanding Student in Physics Award), of physics; Vicki Harvey, of biological sciences (medical science); Kathryn Kingsbury, of mathematics and statistics; Jamie Kleine and Julie Kleine (Ella Ott Weisman Award), of mathematics and statistics; Christy Mareshie, of chemistry and biological sciences (medical science); Jennifer Smith (Outstanding Student Teacher Award), of mathematics and statistics; and Eric Taylor, of biological sciences.

COLUMBIA: Kurt Morgester, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment); Emily Burke and Jeannie Martignoni, both of biological sciences.

EDWARDSVILLE: David Baker, of chemistry; Jason Carter, of biological sciences (medical science); Vicki Chisholm, of biological sciences (genetics); Brian Choate, of biological sciences; Craig Firkins, of biological sciences; David Hester and Laurie Hester, both of biological sciences (ecology, evolution, and environment); Sarah Reinerman, of biological sciences (medical science); Hope Erwin-Sipes (Biology Senior Award) and Ali Soltanshahi, both of biological sciences; Marilyn Washington, of biological sciences (general science and mathematics); Daniel Wegner, of biological sciences (medical science); and Randall Weitzel, of chemistry.

FAIRMONT CITY: Mark Ogden (Michael Levy Award), of biological sciences (medical science).

FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS: Jodi Arness (Outstanding Student in Chemistry Award), of chemistry; Paul Beesley, of mathematics and statistics; Cody Cruse, of chemistry; and Andrew Martignoni III (Physics Faculty Upperclassman Award), of physics.

GLEN CARBON: Gregory Allen, of physics and Shannon Lewis, of biological sciences.

GRANITE CITY: Mona Calis, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution and environment); Meredith Chomko (Outstanding General Chemistry Student), of chemistry; Christina Friedel, of biological sciences; Michael Gitchie, of chemistry (medical science); Jeff Logsdon (Outstanding General Chemistry Student), of chemistry; Chad Miner, of biological sciences (medical science); Gabriel Mitchell (Outstanding Senior Award), of mathematics and statistics; Charlene Pearman, of biological sciences; and Karen Robertson (Florence Fanning Award), and Larry Weigand, both of mathematics and statistics.

LEBANON: John Drake, of physics, and Dawn Henderson, of biological sciences.

MILLSTADT: Kimberly Paul, of biological sciences (medical science); Ann Quirin, of mathematics and statistics (actuarial science); and Jason Westhoff, of chemistry (medical science).

NEW BADEN: Lori Blattel, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution and environment); and Jeremy Booth, of biological sciences.

O'FALLON: Amy Dompier, of biological sciences (genetics); Jamie Franklin, of biological sciences; Robert Hayes, of mathematics and statistics; and Noralie Stewart, of biological sciences.

SCOTT AFB: Travis Denham, of biological sciences.

STAUNTON: Jeffrey Schaefer, of biological sciences (genetics).

SWANSEA: Carmen Seesold, (Ollie Mae Williams Award in Chemistry), of biological sciences (medical science), and Leonard Walters, of mathematics and statistics.

TRENTON: Emily Derr, of biological sciences (medical technician).

TROY: Scott French, of biological sciences (medical science); Carson Lewis, of biological sciences (ecology, evolution and environment); Sherri Meyer and Andy Pannier, both of biological sciences (medical science); Tully Parker, of chemistry; and Elizabeth Quandt, of biological sciences.

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IN THE CLASSROOM

Southern Illinois University at Carbondale recognized 1,830 undergraduate students for academic excellence at recent spring Honors Day ceremonies.

Honors recognition goes to full-time students with cumulative grade point averages of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale on SIUC coursework completed through fall semester 1996.

Among these, 786 students earned special honors by maintaining grade point averages of 3.75 or above and 326 for grade point averages of 3.9 or above.

The following is a list of local students recognized at Honors Day. An asterisk denotes students who achieved special honors for grade point averages of 3.75 and above, and two asterisks denote those with overall averages of 3.9 or above.

EDWARDSVILLE:
EVENING R. GLASSER, sophomore.

GRANITE CITY:
BARI M. BAUM, freshman.
AMY K. SCHILLINGER, freshman (*).

ST. LOUIS:
SHERRI L. BREMER, sophomore (*).
ROBYN C. BUFFINGTON, junior.
REBECCA S. KING, junior.

EAST ST. LOUIS:
DELICIA G. HARRIS, freshman.
DAWN R. NOLDEN, freshman (*).
LEAH N. NOLDEN, freshman (*).
HERBERT C. WALLACE, freshman.

BELLEVILLE:
ANNA C. ANDERSON, senior.
CAROLYN F. POUND, junior.
JULIE M. STUMPF, freshman (*).
BILLIE M. TETZLAFF, senior.
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JOHN P. SNEA, freshman (*).

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EAST CARONDELET:
KRAIG J. SPISAK, sophomore.

FREEBURG:
SHANNON C. PRICE, freshman.
JASON J. SOWLES, freshman.

GERMANTOWN:
JUSTINE M. EVERSBERG, sophomore.

HECKER:
KEVIN M. KALTENBRONN, sophomore (*).

LEBANON:
TIMOTHY M. SAVAGE, freshman.

MASCOUTAH:
DAVID M. BLUE, freshman.
CAROLYN M. CAESAR, freshman.

NEW ATHENS:
MELISSA J. COOK, senior (*).
SHAWNA L. HEIN, junior (*).
STEPHANIE N. SHAW, freshman.

NEW BADEN:
CRAIG P. FUEHNE, senior (*).
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CHRISTINA M. BRAKEBILL, junior.
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MICHAEL GOODRICH of Belleville and **TAMARA R. RODDY** of Washington Park were named to the fall semester honor roll at Jackson State University in Jackson, Miss.

A number of local students were named to the fall semester Dean's List at Illinois Wesleyan University in Bloomington.

Local students included:
GLENN CARBON: LIA M. WELLER.
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TRENTON: EMILY M. KUHN.

WATERLOO: THERESA M. TROST.

Several local students were among 479 who received degrees during fall semester commencement exercises at Southeast Missouri State University in Cape Girardeau.

Local students included:
BELLEVILLE: SARAH LYNN MENTEL, bachelor of science in business administration, marketing major.

CASEVILLE: MEGHAN QUINCY LUTZ, bachelor of science in education (high school), speech major, bachelor of science in education (high school) Spanish major, graduated cum laude.

COLLINSVILLE: BRYAN E. WORTON, bachelor of science in education (high school), English major, bachelor of general studies.

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EDWARDSVILLE: KENNETH L. BUSCH, bachelor of general studies, general studies major.

GRANITE CITY: DAMON MICHAEL YATES, bachelor of science, criminal justice major (law enforcement option).

O'FALLON: AMY MICHELLE VUCICH, bachelor of science in business administration, marketing major.

RED BUD: MONICA JON OSMAN, bachelor of science, mass communications major (public relations option), graduated cum laude.

SWANSEA: SCOTT MICHAEL BECKER, bachelor of science, sociology major.

Kaskaskia College in Centralia has announced its list of December graduates. Local graduates include:

BREESE: KELLY J. GREER, SCOTT JOSEPH RICHTER, KAREN JOAN RIPPERDA, TARA M. HILMES, CATRINA MARIE HUELSMAN, JENNIFER MARIE KAEQY, KAY ANN KLOSTERMANN.

GERMANTOWN: RACHEL LYNN LANGRISH, junior.

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In large skillet over medium-high heat, cook and stir 1 medium onion, chopped, and 2 cloves garlic, minced, in 1 tablespoon hot oil until tender but not browned. Stir in 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) stewed tomatoes; 1 can (15 ounces) black beans, rinsed and drained; 2/3 cup water, and 1/2 teaspoon leaf oregano. Bring to boil. Stir in 1-1/2 cups instant brown rice, uncooked. Return to boil. Reduce heat to low. Simmer, covered, 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Let stand 5 minutes. Stir. Makes 4 servings; 250 calories, 5 g fat, 700 mg sodium and 6 g dietary fiber each.

Health & Fitness

Medicine Chest

As people live longer, their chances for developing heart failure increase. Two to three million Americans have heart failure; one-third of them are hospitalized each year. Risk factors include smoking, high cholesterol, high blood pressure and diabetes. For many, early detection is key to effective treatment.

Fresh Picks

Setting a table that should look like the great outdoors? Close to party time, line a wicker basket with leaves of curly cabbage or red leaf lettuce. Heap it with fresh vegetables, such as asparagus, Japanese eggplant, zucchini or yellow squash, carrots, radishes and green onions, whole heads of garlic and green peppers. At the last minute, tuck in sprigs of parsley or mint.

Big Fat Tip

Instead of nuts in a snack, use cereal for crunch. Mix 1 cup each of 3 different cereals, including one that is sweeter, with 2 cups popcorn, 1 cup thin pretzel sticks, 1 cup goldfish-shaped crackers and 1/2 cup raisins.

Future Shop

People who never would drive down a street without buckling up a child often do not exercise the same precaution when they move down supermarket aisles with a child sitting freely in a cart seat. The Food Marketing Institute (supermarket association) has joined with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, Johnson & Johnson and Safe-Strap Co. to spearhead the National Safe Kids Campaign, whereby seat belts will be available for any supermarket shopper and encourage shoppers to use the device. An annual average of 12,800 children ages five and under were treated in emergency rooms for head injuries after falling from shopping carts.

Through the Garden Gates



Renate Kheim, left, Chris Landewe and Glenn Kopp share their recipes from the "Garden Gate Cookbook" at the Missouri Botanical Garden. Kheim works in the herbarium, Landewe is buyer in the Garden Gate Shop and Kopp coordinates cooking classes in the Kemper Center for Home Gardening.

Dennis Caldwell Photo

By Janice Denham
Staff writer

When asked how her garden grows, Mary-Mary will not be so contrary if she follows suggestions from the expanded Kemper Center for Home Gardening at the Missouri Botanical Garden and the "Garden Gate Cookbook," newly published to benefit the garden.

It fell to Chris Landewe, book buyer for the Garden Gate Shop in the Ridgway Center, to gather the book.

"There are a lot of talented and creative people at the garden. This was a project that matched them. When I asked for recipes last summer, responses came from people that really surprised me," she says.

She pruned the recipes she received down to 100. "One way to get recipes to me was to drop them off in the shop's back room in a mailbox decorated by Cynthia Aderman, who illustrated the book. The leftover recipes were wonderful as well. I'm holding onto them to see if we can use them at a future date."

She started with four categories -- appetizers, soups and salads, main dishes and desserts. Because of interest in breads, she grafted that division onto the appetizers section.

"Garden Gate Cookbook" joins the "Shaw House Cookbook" as a self-starting sprout of local cookbooks at the shop. Landewe explains the new one is contemporary, while the Shaw House book is historical with recipes and ingredients typical of the Victorian era.

Recipes of staff and volunteers in the new book are as diverse as spring colors at the Botanical Garden. Some recipes won dessert competitions among employees at their staff picnic each September at Shaw Arboretum.

Celeste Prussia shared two jambalayas she developed for last year's picnic. One is spicy with meat, the other vegetarian and less peppery. Each is given in family or large-quantity versions.

Mary Krehma found the recipe for Ridgway Rounds, a cookie created to honor the Ridgway Center's opening in 1982.

Renate Kheim was a helpful resource. Not only did she share recipes she hoped one day to put in her own cookbook, but also saved recipes for foods co-workers in the herbarium and other departments brought for sampling over the years.

Scott Woodbury delivered action-packed directions for Turkey and Red Onions with Fire. The first recipe in the book, Pimento Cheese, comes from Amanda

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HERB RUBBINGS



Mitch Linhardt Graphic

With the help of members of the St. Louis Herb Society, children will make herb rubbings from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sunday in the Kemper Center for Home Gardening at the MISSOURI Botanical Garden. Herb gardening is part of the garden's Spring Expo Saturday and Sunday, featuring workshops, demonstrations, shows, and sales both days.

THIS IS A GREAT TIME OF YEAR FOR A CHILD TO PLANT AN EASY HERB, LIKE MINT, TO USE LATER IN FRUIT SALAD OR TEA. HERB RUBBINGS MAKE ANOTHER INTERESTING ACTIVITY. TO BEGIN, A CHILD PLACES A PIECE OF FABRIC ON A PAPER PLATE, USING AN ASSORTMENT OF HERBS -- LIKE PARSLEY, OREGANO OR SAGE -- THE HERB IS RUBBED WITH THE BACK OF A SPOON ON TOP OF THE FABRIC. THIS MOTION PUSHES CHLOROPHYLL OUT OF THE HERB AND ONTO THE FABRIC, RESULTING IN A PRINT THAT CAN BE USED FOR A NAPKIN OR PLACEMAT.

Kids' Cuisine

Today's Food

Private Label Test Run



By the bag or by the can, snacks can fit into a snack ritual that matches the demands of a shopping budget.

Snack items can be inexpensive and also taste mighty good

After a test of three less-expensive, private label snacks from Dierbergs, Shoppers Value caramel corn came out the favorite, both from a flavor outlook and a budget value.

"The caramel corn is the best of the sweet and crunchy," a taster said. "It had a nice level of sweetness without being overpowering."

Another gave it an enthusiastic endorsement. "The caramel corn was best of all. It has nice chewiness, yet won't pull out dental work. It has good flavor, too. It even felt right on the fingertips — not too sticky," she said.

She noted it would be a good buy for kids' lunches, as well as parties, at 79 cents for an 11-ounce bag. Another called it "addictive" by making tasters

want more.

The other items tested were Shoppers Value cheese-flavored "crunchies," priced at \$1.18 for a 12-ounce bag, and Snack Time! party mix, 99 cents for a 5-ounce package.

Reaction to the other products ranged across the spectrum.

"I thought the cheesy puff things were almost as good as a national brand," a taster said about the cheese crunchies.

Another liked their crunch and lack of uniformity. "I thought the cheese flavor was pretty much like other brands."

She was countered by another taster who thought they left a "fake buttery aftertaste."

The party mix offered a surprise by containing

snacks in individual shapes and flavors.

"I think the party mix is fun. Some pieces have such intensity that I liked it better when it was in a bowl and the flavors had a chance to catch up with each other," she said.

Another liked them well mixed, so the garlic on one of the circle shapes was able to share its flavor with other pieces.

"The flavor was a bit strong, but I liked the pretzel part," she said. "They weren't as strong tasting as the cheesy rings and corn chips."

Another had his favorites among the party mix items, too.

"The party mix is a real bargain at 99 cents. The product is fresh and holds a nice variety of crunchies," he said.

Wise Ways

By MARY SCHROEPFER

Crunchy grains add big nutrients to salads

Bulgur is not the only whole grain popping up in new-style salarings. For crunch and a nutritional boost, stir cracked wheat, kasha (KAHSH-uh) from buckwheat, quinoa (KEEN-wah) and brown rice into any main dish or vegetable salad.

Bulgur, or cracked whole wheat berries, is the traditional grain in tabouli salad, a Middle Eastern mixture of cooked whole wheat, chopped tomato, parsley, cucumber and green onion. However, today tabouli ingredients vary from brown rice to quinoa.

Whole grains are a nutrition powerhouse. Whole grains add fiber, magnesium, vitamins E and B-6, copper, zinc and all sorts of phytochemicals that may protect against colon cancer, heart disease and prevent constipation.

Whole grains contain 90 percent more vitamin E and B-6 than refined grain, and 75 percent more magnesium, manganese, fiber, zinc and potassium, and twice as much copper, pantothenic acid and folate as refined grains. Check out these whole grains.

Bulgur: A processed form of cracked whole wheat, bulgur is produced by steaming and drying whole wheat kernels. The grain is then cracked into three sizes. The coarse is used for pilaf, the medium for cereal and the finest for tabouli. Bulgur requires less cooking time than cracked wheat. It also can be "cooked" by soaking without heat.

Cracked Wheat: Simply ground wheat berries, cracked wheat can replace rice or other grains in most recipes. It cooks in 15 minutes and retains a slight crunchiness afterward. Eat as a breakfast cereal, or substitute for bulgur in tabouli.

Brown Rice: Now available in quick-cooking and instant forms, this is the only form of rice that contains vitamin E. Its flavor is richer and its texture chewier than white rice.

Quinoa: Not a true grain, but related to Swiss chard and spinach, this grain has delicate flavor and can be substituted for almost any other grain. It contains more iron than other grains and is rich in potassium and riboflavin. Use twice as much liquid as grain. Simmer 15 minutes. Quinoa's light, non-sticky texture makes it ideal for warm-weather salad.

Kasha: Not a true grain, these granules are roasted, hulled buckwheat kernels. Although buckwheat flour is familiar to most Americans as pancakes, kasha blends well with brown rice to add new assertive taste to a casserole or salad.

For a new ethnic taste, Indian seasoning adds zest to tabouli salad.

Home economist Mary Schroepfer is nutrition specialist for University Extension (University of Missouri system) in Franklin County.

ITALIAN 'MAMA MIA' BULGUR SALAD

- 1/2 cup bulgur wheat, uncooked
- 1 cup hot water
- 3/4 cup chopped green and/or red bell pepper
- 1 cup chopped zucchini
- 3/4 cup vegetable juice, or tomato juice reserved from canned tomatoes
- 1 can (16 oz.) chopped tomatoes, drained
- 1/2 tsp. dried basil
- 1/2 tsp. Italian seasoning
- 1/4 cup chopped green onion
- 1 tsp. lemon juice
- Pepper to taste
- Lettuce leaves and chopped green onion for garnish, if desired

In small bowl, stir together bulgur and hot water. Let stand 5 minutes. Drain.

In medium saucepan, combine bell pepper, zucchini, vegetable juice, tomatoes, drained bulgur, 1/4 teaspoon basil and pepper. Cover. Bring to boil. Remove cover. Reduce heat. Simmer, stirring occasionally, 15 minutes or until liquid is absorbed.

Remove from heat. Stir in 1/4 teaspoon basil, Italian seasoning, lemon juice, and 1/4 cup chopped green onion. Cover and refrigerate.

Serve chilled or at room temperature. Line salad bowl with lettuce. Spoon salad on top. Garnish with extra green onion.

Makes 4 servings; 139 calories, 1 g fat (5 percent calories from fat), no cholesterol, 359 mg sodium and 8 g fiber each.

TACO SALAD FOR 1

In one 10-inch flour tortilla shell, cooked and preshaped to hold salad, spread 1/4 cup shredded lettuce across bottom. Add 1/4 cup shredded lettuce to fill shell about three-

fourths top. In center of lettuce, add 1/4 cup ground or shredded meat, cooked and seasoned with taco seasoning. Sprinkle with 1/4 cup shredded Mexican cheese

blend. Add 1/4 hard-cooked egg, 1/4 cup tomato and 1/4 cup ranch salad dressing seasoned with pinch of taco seasoning.

Blue Ribbon Cook

Simple seasonings make beans a real winner

Betty J. Barth, Kirkwood, is this week's winner of dinner certificates to the Pasta House Co. for Sweet-Sour String Beans.

This is a recipe that fits the occasion. It can be served hot or cold and makes a wonderful do-ahead dish for a party or

picnic. Flavors are best when it is refrigerated while before serving. Her family calls them "Betty's Beans" in honor of the friend who shared the recipe with her.

Recipes in the Macaroni and Spaghetti Recipe Contest should be postmarked

by May 31 for consideration as winner each Wednesday in June.

Send in one recipe per household for any kind of dish that includes macaroni or spaghetti, prepared to serve cold or hot. Send it to: Macaroni and Spaghetti Recipe Contest, Suburban

Journals, 1714 Deer Tracks Trail, St. Louis, Mo. 63131.

SWEET-SOUR STRING BEANS

- 3 strips bacon, cut up
- 1 finely chopped onion (amount desired)
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 tsp. prepared mustard
- 1/2 cup 1/4 cup vinegar
- 1 can (16 oz.) cut green beans (Blue Lake suggested)

Brown bacon slowly and lightly. Stir in onion. Add sugar, water, mustard and vinegar. Cook over very low heat 45 minutes.

Heat beans. Drain thoroughly. Place in bowl. Pour sauce over beans. Do not add beans to sauce or sauce becomes too thin.

Set in large roasting pan. Fill pan with enough hot water to come about three-fourths up side of ramekins. Bake in preheated oven 40 to 50 minutes until set. Chill at least 2 hours. Garnish each serving with rose petals and berries.

CHICKEN BREASTS WITH APRICOTS AND BALSAMIC VINEGAR

- 4 skinless, boneless chicken breast halves
- 3 tsp. olive oil
- 3/4 cup dry white wine
- 4 dried apricots, thinly sliced
- 2 tsp. raisins
- 3 tsp. minced onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup chicken stock or broth
- 1/4 cup balsamic vinegar
- 1/4 tsp. dried or 1 tsp. minced fresh thyme

Nutmeg, allspice, salt, pepper and flour

Heat white wine. Place apricot and raisins in wine. Let sit 20 to 30 minutes until plumped.

Season chicken with salt and pepper and flour lightly. Sauté in oil until lightly browned on all sides. Remove from pan.

Saute onion and garlic until translucent. Add fruit and soaking liquid, chicken stock, vinegar and thyme. Cook until liquid is reduced about half.

Return chicken to pan. Simmer until done. Remove chicken and keep warm.

Over high heat, reduce sauce until syrupy. If necessary, to form light sauce, add a little cornstarch mixed with cold water and cook until thickened. Add pinch of nutmeg, pinch of allspice and season to taste with salt and pepper.

Serve sauce over chicken. Garnish with sprigs of fresh thyme, if desired. Makes 4 servings.

Garden

Continued from page 1C. Garlick, long-time volunteer at the Arboretum.

"Garden Gate Cookbook" at \$14.95 will continue to be available at the garden shop beyond this month's Spring Expo. It also is available at Cornucopia

cooking shops in Kirkwood and West Port Plaza. To mail an order, send a check for \$15.95 to cover postage to: Missouri Botanical Garden, Garden Gate Shop, 4344 Shaw Blvd., St. Louis, Mo. 63110.

The expo features herb gardening May 17 and 18, the Chinese Festival May 18, and fragrance gardening May 24 and 25 focusing on rose and butterfly gardening.

A sampling from the book includes Landewe's Rose Petal Flan among the desserts. The rose flower water, even by the drop, offers the aura of the rose.

She says the Persians are noted for using rose water, but now it is imported from France. It can be found

reliably at Wild Oats or Jay's International Foods. She strews rose petals according to what is available by color. Edible rose petals should be chosen from bushes without pesticides.

Kheim's Morning Glory Muffins can be made seasonally with apple or zucchini.

Glenn Kopp's recipe for chicken breasts is a year-round favorite. He has many recipes at his fingertips, as he coordinates cooking classes at the new home-gardening center.

MORNING GLORY MUFFINS

- 2 cups flour
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 2 tsp. baking soda
- 2 tsp. baking powder
- 2 tsp. cinnamon
- 1 tsp. salt

- 2 cups grated carrot
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1/2 cup pecans
- 1/2 cup coconut, if desired
- 1 apple, grated, or 1 to 1 1/2 cups grated zucchini
- 1 egg
- 1 cup oil
- 2 tsp. vanilla

Preheat oven to 350°. Grease muffin pans or line with paper liners.

Sift together flour, sugar, baking soda, baking powder, cinnamon and salt. Stir in carrot, raisins, pecans, coconut and apple.

Beat together egg whites, oil and vanilla. Stir into dry ingredients. Scoop into prepared muffin cups.

Bake in preheated oven about 20 minutes until done. Makes 18 muffins.

ROSE PETAL FLAN

- 4 egg yolks
- 1/4 cup sugar

- 2 cups heavy cream
- 1/2 vanilla bean or 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 1 drop rose flower water, if desired
- 1 1/2 tsp. orange-flavored liqueur, like Grand Marnier

Petals from 2 roses for garnish

Fresh raspberries or strawberries for garnish

Preheat oven to 250°. In medium bowl, whisk egg yolks with sugar.

In saucepan over medium heat, combine cream and vanilla bean. As soon as bubbles form around edge, remove from heat.

Pour half the scalded cream into egg mixture, whisking to combine. Mix with remaining cream mixture in saucepan. Cook and stir over medium heat until mixture coats back of wooden spoon.

Strain mixture into stainless steel bowl. Stir in rose water and liqueur.

Pour mixture into 4 to 6 ramekins or custard cups.

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Heart-y Bites

By CINDY BERNER

Micro Raves

By SANDRA HOUNSOM

More than Popeye liked spinach Grandma's way

"People don't like spinach because they don't cook it right," my grandmother explained. Whatever the reason, I loved to eat spinach at her house, while other children put it on their list of taboos.

Grandma's spinach was simple — plain frozen spinach, well drained and seasoned with a small amount of margarine, salt and pepper. It was nothing fancy, but much more appetizing than Popeye's olive green, watery version.

Going through cafeteria lines during high school and college, the vegetable billed as "spinach" was a blob of green floating in a pool of water. I echoed to myself, "They just don't know how to cook it right." If people just tasted Grandma's spinach, it would be a willing choice for a real green vegetable.

As I look for ways to increase my family's vegetable intake, I am continually amazed at the versatility of both fresh and frozen spinach. With little effort, it provides a nutritional boon to almost any dish. Rich in both vitamins A and C and iron and low in calories, spinach is a powerhouse.

One of the easiest ways to reach the recommendation of eating five fruits and vegetables a day is to incorporate vegetables into the entree and side dishes. Instead of thinking up three separate vegetables, adding spinach to the main dish and side dish naturally adds vegetable content.

Get in the habit of buying a bag of fresh spinach along with leaf lettuce for salads. A combination of greens makes salads more interesting and healthy. Try spinach leaves topped with fresh grapefruit or strawberries. The vitamin C-rich fruit helps make spinach's iron more readily absorbed.

Pasta is another great fit with spinach. Add a cup of freshly chopped spinach leaves or well-drained frozen spinach to a favorite pasta dish. Spinach added to marinara sauce is a great color and flavor addition. Make it a standard part of lasagna and stuffed shells. This easy addition increases the nutritional value and stretches the amount of meat.

A simple and quick side dish is fresh spinach. A pound of fresh spinach will make a cup of cooked spinach. Draining frozen spinach well was my grandmother's secret. Served with a slice of lemon to squeeze on top or grated hard-cooked egg white makes it a glorious "cooked-right" vegetable treat.

Spinach is a delicious flavor addition to minestrone and vegetable soups. Summer vegetables combined in a light chicken broth is perfect warmer-weather fare served with toasted French bread rounds. This Tuscan Minestrone Soup is more interesting and tasty with the addition of spinach, the favorite vegetable of my childhood.

Registered dietitian Cindy Berner is a member of the nutrition committee of the American Heart Association, St. Louis Chapter.

TUSCAN MINESTRONE SOUP

- 4 cups chicken broth, homemade without added salt or canned low-sodium
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 1 can (15 oz.) white beans
- 4 fresh tomatoes or 1 can (28 oz.) tomatoes, chopped
- 1 medium green bell pepper, chopped
- 4 cups chopped fresh spinach leaves, well rinsed, drained
- 8 oz. uncooked penne pasta
- 1 tsp. freshly ground pepper

In large stock pot, saute garlic and green pepper in olive oil 2 minutes. Stir in broth and beans and tomatoes with their liquid. Bring to boil.

Stir in pasta. Simmer until pasta is al dente, done but still firm.

Toss in spinach. Cook 2 minutes longer, just until spinach is wilted. Season with pepper.

Makes 6 servings; 260 calories, 5 g fat, no cholesterol and 200 mg sodium each, using homemade broth and fresh tomatoes.

Eggs serve many purposes in cooking, like binding foods together in meatloaf or mayonnaise. Eggs need to be cooked over low to moderate heat, whatever the method, or they become unevenly cooked, tough and rubbery.

Because people cook food in a microwave oven most often on high or full power, it may seem difficult to cook eggs in the appliance. That is not true.

First though, remember that eggs cooked in their shells will explode. Move on to poached or scrambled eggs, which, when cooked for a minimum amount of

time in a microwave, turn out wonderfully well. Three eggs seem to puff up and appear to be more volume than when they are cooked on a stove.

In a glass pie pan, melt 2 tablespoons butter or margarine, which takes 20 to 25 seconds on high power. Tilt the pan to coat with the butter.

In a small bowl, stir 4 eggs with 4 tablespoons milk until blended well. Pour into the buttered pan. Microwave on high power 2½ to 4 minutes, stirring twice during cooking. Eggs continue to cook during the standing time — about 5 minutes — so there is time to prepare the rest of

breakfast.

Eggs should be cooked only until almost set, not completely set, as they might be dry and tough. Cover during standing time for thorough cooking.

Many people don't eat eggs often for fear of raising their cholesterol level. Experts now say eggs were given a bad rap, although they still should be eaten moderately.

On weekends when I have more time to cook for the family, I like to fix eggs Benedict with a hollandaise sauce. Add fruit or juice, plus milk for a complete breakfast. Add coffee if there is time to linger.

Home economist Sandra Hounsom specializes in microwave cooking.

EGGS BENEDICT

- 2 English muffins, split, toasted
- 8 slices (½ oz. each) Canadian bacon or cooked ham
- 4 eggs
- Hollandaise Sauce

In each of four (6-ounce) custard cups, arrange 2 slices bacon on top of another, so corners alternate. Break and slip 1 egg

into each cup. Gently prick yolks with tip of knife or wooden pick.

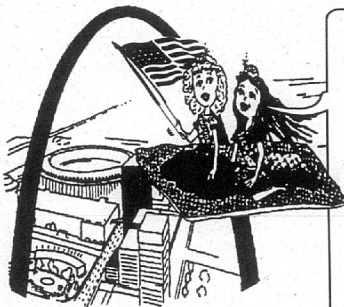
Place cups on pie plate or platter. Cover with waxed paper. Cook on 50 percent or 30 percent power 5½ to 6½ minutes, rotating pie plate one-fourth turn each 2 minutes.

Remove just before eggs reach desired doneness. If necessary, let stand, covered, 1 to 2 minutes, until whites are completely set and yolks begin to thicken but are not hard.

Loosen from sides of cups, if necessary, and slide onto muffin halves. Top each egg with about 2 tablespoons Hollandaise Sauce.

Hollandaise Sauce: In 4-cup bowl or measure, lightly whisk 3 egg yolks. Beat in 2 tablespoons lemon juice.

Cut 1 stick butter or margarine, at room temperature, in equal pieces. Add 1 piece butter to egg yolk mixture. Cook, uncovered, on high power 30 seconds. Whisk vigorously to incorporate butter into yolks. Repeat procedure with second piece of butter, whisking briskly until butter is absorbed. Add third piece of butter and cook 30 seconds longer. Whisk until sauce is smooth. Add salt and pepper to taste.



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Good Health

By MELANIE POLK

Bright and crisp salad fits high-style fashion

Salads are a welcome addition to any meal. Colorful and crispy, they provide a variety of colorful flavors that fit almost any menu. As a separate course, side dish or main attraction, salad is a sure-fire way to get one — and usually several — of the recommended five daily servings of vegetables and fruits.

Customarily a salad starts with a base of greens. Although iceberg is a traditional source of lettuce crunch, it is 95 percent water and virtually vitamin-free. Among mild-flavored leaves, Boston, bibb and romaine are more nutritious alternatives. Get bolder flavor and greater nutrition by combining darker greens like peppery watercress and arugula with mild-mannered lettuces in the next salad mix.

Traditional garden salad vegetables — such as tomato, green pepper, cucumber, carrot and onion — contain valuable vitamins and minerals, but venturing a little further into the garden provides satisfying variety.

Salad provides an introduction to new, interesting foods. Toss in cooked corn kernels, crisp-tender zucchini rounds, sugar snap peas, garbanzo beans or roasted red pepper strips. Cooked grains and legumes — like barley, lentils and bulgur wheat — are fiber- and nutrient-rich additions that turn salad into a meal.

Fruit mixes well with vegetables in salads, too. Sharp, juicy grapefruit perfectly partners with crunchy, licorice-flavored fennel. Try a snappy strawberry and cucumber salad seasoned with a bit of lime juice.

Orange chunks or slices are a welcome addition to green salad, or toss them with grated carrot, fresh dill and an orange juice vinaigrette where orange juice replaces most of the

vinegar. Even a few tablespoons dressing — traditionally as much as 90 percent fat — can be the downfall of a wholesome salad. Instead, get added flavor from the wide variety of low-fat and nonfat dressings available at a supermarket, or make dressing with ingredients like plain nonfat yogurt, chopped fresh herbs, vinegar and fruit juices.

For a free brochure that explains how to feast on fruits and vegetables, write to: American Institute for Cancer Research, Department FF, Washington, D.C. 20069.

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GREEN SALAD WITH TONNATO DRESSING

- 1 can (6½ oz.) water-packed chunk light tuna, drained
- ¼ clove garlic
- ¼ cup Dijon mustard
- 2 tsp. red wine vinegar
- 1 tsp. olive oil
- ¼ tsp. dried oregano
- 2 or 3 anchovy filets, drained, rinsed (optional)
- ½ cup chicken broth
- Freshly ground pepper
- 8 leaves romaine lettuce
- 8 rings red bell pepper
- 4 rings green bell pepper
- 8 slices cucumber
- 12 rings red onion, if desired

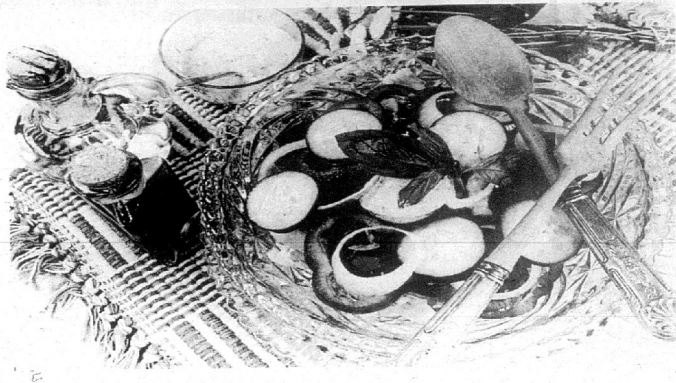
In blender or food processor combine tuna, garlic, mustard, vinegar, olive oil, oregano and anchovies, stopping once or twice to scrape down mixture on sides.

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Add chicken broth. Blend until dressing has consistency of thin mayonnaise. Season to taste with pepper. If possible, refrigerate 2 to 3 hours before using to let flavors blend.

Tear lettuce into bite-size pieces. Mound on serving platter. Arrange pepper rings, cucumber and onion over lettuce. Pour ½ cup dressing on top. Serve immediately.

Note: Dressing keeps 2 to 3 days in tightly sealed container in refrigerator. Use leftover dressing on rice salad made with diced bell pepper, red onion, green peas and chopped Italian parsley.



Color, crunch and nutrition stack up next to flavor in this crisp green salad with its tuna dressing.



FEELING FIT

By Mark Lymbereopoulos

Pre-ski conditioning should include vigorous stretching and aerobic exercise to build stamina. To strengthen quadriceps, practice the "wall chair." Leaning against a wall, squat until you are in a sitting position, upper legs perpendicular to the wall. Hold one minute.

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Supermarkets are reinventing themselves. They just want the question, "dinner?" In official parlance, it's called "replacement" solutions. It's

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Today's Food

Cup of Coffee

By JANICE DENHAM

Retrofitting supermarkets want to prepare dinner

Supermarkets are not trying to reinvent themselves. They just want to answer the question, "What's for dinner?"

In official parlance, this is called "total meal replacement" or "meal solutions." It was a theme

at this year's Supermarket Convention and Education Expo sponsored by the Food Marketing Institute, an international non-profit organization of supermarkets, in Chicago's McCormick Place.

"Real growth is down in

supermarkets three of the last five years," said Michael Sansolo, an FMI vice president.

He accounts efficiencies within the industry for keeping its head above water while people take their dollars to other food sources. Only 52 cents of the consumer's food dollar goes to the supermarket today, more than 10 cents less than 20 years ago.

Supermarkets are looking for ways to solve the dilemma of what's for dinner and who will fix it with its own meal solutions.

"We don't want to just sell you boxes anymore. We want to show you how to put the boxes together," Sansolo said.

Two strategies being tried nationwide stand out among supermarkets.

One is frequent shopper programs, which reward individual faithful shoppers with promotions, sales and bonuses, based on their loyal use of a market. This may supply everything from a probable shopping list to individualized coupons.

The second partners supermarkets with other food delivery enterprises, such as local or national restaurant chains. Another variation puts chefs in individual supermarkets as stars to send home custom-

ers with finished or almost-finished meals.

The workshop agenda included participation by Boston Market and a strategist for "destination" stores, from clothing and housewares to book stores with food and browsing part of the fun.

More than 1,300 exhibitors tried to solve the meal puzzle for more than 35,000 convention attendees. A walk among exhibit booths left its impressions:

- Reduced-fat products have leveled off and in some cases are declining. On the other hand, most products, including sausages and snacks, are expected to be offered in a healthier version.

- Frito-Lay brought samples of its Wow! product which uses Olestra as a fat substitute. An individual-serving package of these no-fat chips typically has about half the calories, down to 55. The product still is in test markets.

- Single-serving salads are part of the regular scene. Adding meat and other items is turning up the value of salads, too.

- Health components are marching down the supermarket aisle. V-8 has a new drink with carrot juice as a main component. It is unexpectedly sweet with fruit juices part of the mix, offering vitamins A, C and

E. Calcium will be part of Uncle Ben's instant rice. A surprise product, according to Lynn Dorblaster, publisher of "New Product News," is calcium-fortified beer.

- Alternatives to meat were everywhere. Most are made with soy products.

Daniels Midland Co. brought its soy products. While it makes frozen Harvest Burgers for Green Giant, it also markets a variety of dehydrated products, including a taco filling and a mixture for chili.

Yves Veggie Cuisine sampled its jumbo veggie dogs on a bun, as well as "meatless ground round" in Italian flavor (it comes in original flavor, too) made into sloppy joes.

Veggie Bowls from Cascadian Farm want to be one of the "boxes" fixed as part of the meal. It offers organic meatless main dishes from the freezer. Rice and pasta are featured.

- Move over, caffeine drinks! Candy called Snap! contains an oven-roasted espresso coffee bean drenched in chocolate and covered with a colorful candy shell. It comes in assorted flavors, like hazelnut and raspberry.

- Shelf-stable, single-serving, dehydrated soups in their own serving cups are

going to have company on the shelf. Both potato and pasta products will follow the same routine. Just add boiling water, stir and wait a few minutes for lunch. Fantastic Foods already places them in health food stores. Near East is ready to send them out in rotini, pilaf, pasta and couscous varieties.

- Carnival Seafood is coming to town. It's frozen and ready for the microwave in varieties ranging from lobster tail to shrimp scampi.

- Watch for Eggstasy eggs in Jerry Seinfeld's refrigerator this fall. A combination of feed, environment and breeding supposedly drops a large egg's fat to 3.5 grams, 25 percent less than normal.

- More for fun, there are Bikini Chips crispy french fries, a snack shelf-stable in the bag for nine months.

- Banana Bites Inc. quick-freezes bite-size chunks of banana, then dips them in chocolate, with or without chopped peanuts. Schools already buy them two to a package to fill a fruit requirement for lunch.

- Chocolate-covered cherries may give way to chocolate-covered cranberries, if Decas Cranberry Products has its way.

Janice Denham is food editor of Suburban Journals.

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1 tsp. salt
1 tsp. cornstarch
1 tsp. vegetable oil

Mix cornstarch with 2 tea-

spoons water and salt. Toss with pork.

Heat sesame oil until hot. Cook pork until they just lose pink color. Remove.

Drain and reserve oil.

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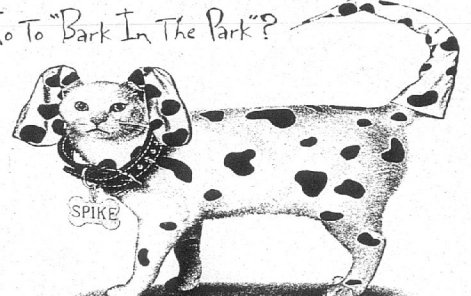
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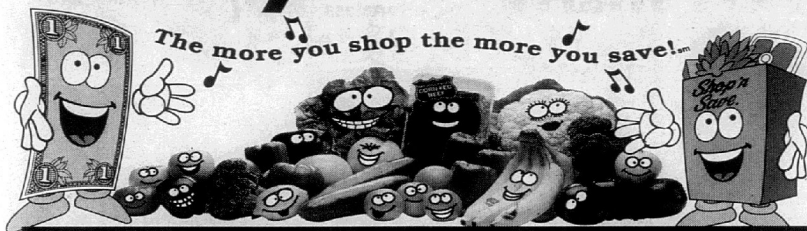
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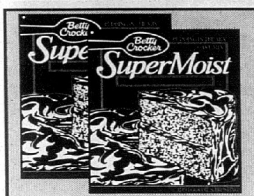
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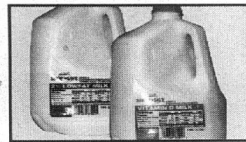
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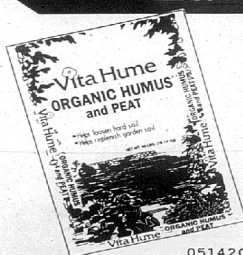
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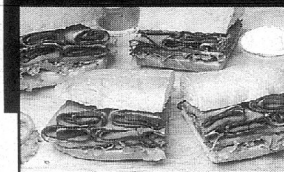
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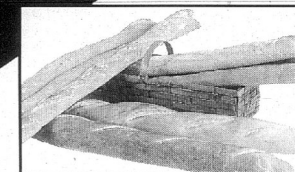
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By Tom Strongman

The MPV's 110.4-inch wheelbase and 183.5-inch overall length are shorter than the standard Dodge Caravan. Consequently, there is not much luggage space behind the third seat. The third seat folds forward to create a load space, or it can be removed completely. Access is simplified by a large tailgate hinged at the top.



Mazda All-Sport MPV

Mazda's front-engine, rear-drive All-Sport MPV sits tall and looks rugged. Its short overall length and maneuverability make it appealing to active folks for camping and biking. And rear-wheel drive makes it excellent for towing.

Specifications

Engine: 3.0-liter, V-6
Transmission: Automatic
Wheelbase: 110.4 inches
Curb Weight: 4,105 pounds
Base Price: \$28,895
Price as Driven: \$30,770
MPG Rating: 15 city, 19 highway

Up front, the bucket seats are wide and accommodating. The cabin of our test unit was as cozy as a passenger car and just as well-equipped. Getting in and out takes a bit of a step, but no more so than most SUVs.

The dashboard is showing its age. Instruments are simple and clear, but the sliding-bar heater controls and buttons for rear wiper and differential lock are all fairly far from the driver. I noted the lack of a central button for unlocking the doors.

The base price of our test car was \$28,895, and that included power windows, power locks, air conditioning, AM/FM stereo cassette, power steering, cruise control, tilt wheel and power mirrors.

The only options were rear air conditioning, floor mats and keyless entry system. The sticker

The standard warranty is for three years or 50,000 miles.

Point: The MPV All-Sport offers four doors, four-wheel-drive and a rugged look intended for people with active lifestyles.

Counterpoint: The small overall size limits the effectiveness of its cargo-carrying, and the dashboard and instruments could use some updating.

POINTS & PLUGS

By Rick Stoff

The auto industry is truly global. Parts suppliers all over the world compete for business, and the effects of international difficulties can be far-reaching.

An example is a fire that destroyed a Japanese factory that built brake parts for Toyota. Toyota had to shift that work to a factory that made engine parts for the Toyota Indy-car racing teams in the U.S. The result is a parts shortage for the racing teams, which has forced three of the four drivers using Toyota engines to fall back on last-year's engines.

Tougher competition for vehicle sales is a fact of life around the globe, too. In the U.S. auto manufacturers and dealers saw need to increase their 1996 advertising spending budgets by about \$1 billion.

The auto industry spent \$11.6 billion on advertising last year, according to Competitive Media Reporting, an advertising industry monitoring firm. The industry spent an estimated \$10.6 billion

The 1996 total included about \$3.9 billion spent on newspaper ads; \$3.4 billion on local television; \$1.9 billion on network television; \$352 million on cable television; and \$44.9 million on network radio.

Profits were way up for U.S. auto manufacturers during the first quarter of the year. General Motors' profits were nearly \$1.8 billion, up from just over \$1 billion for the same three months of 1996. Ford's profits jumped from \$653 million a year ago to \$1.5 billion this year. Chrysler edged up slightly, from about \$1.01 billion last year to \$1.02 billion this year.

Overall, first-quarter profits for the three companies totaled about \$4.3 billion this year compared to \$2.7 billion in 1996.

There's electrifying news in the plants that build Chevrolet S10 pickup trucks. At least once in a while anyway. General Motors has begun

in a while, anyway. General Motors has begun selling electric versions of the trucks, mostly to electric utilities. The trucks average 40 to 60 miles per battery charge and can go up to 70 miles per hour, more than enough performance for

There are a couple of drawbacks, however. The trucks cost \$33,000 each, nearly twice as much as a standard S10 with a gasoline engine. And you

The biggest automotive dealer in the U.S. last year sold 103,965 cars and trucks and took in \$2 billion in revenues for sales, parts and service reports the trade magazine Automotive News. That dealer is J.R. "Rick" Hendrick of North

That dealer is J.R. Rick Hendrick of North Carolina, who owns 69 auto dealerships. Many auto racing fans also know him as the owner of the NASCAR Winston Cup racing cars wheeled by Jeff Gordon, Terry Labonte and Ricky Craven, whose car is sponsored by St. Louis-based Buick.

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**By Bob Slater
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